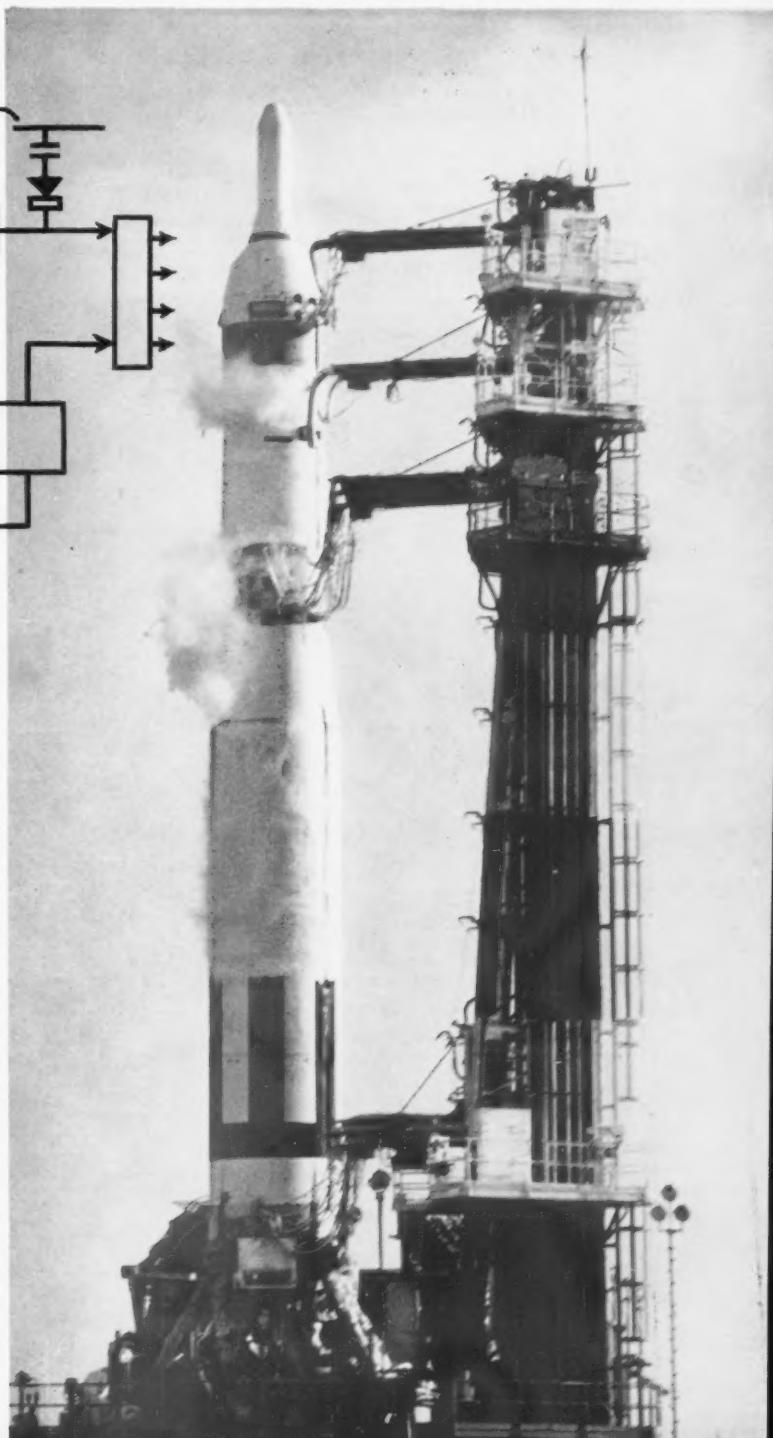
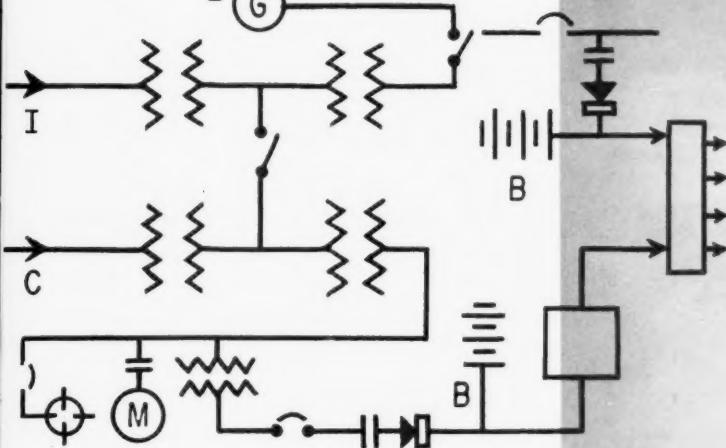


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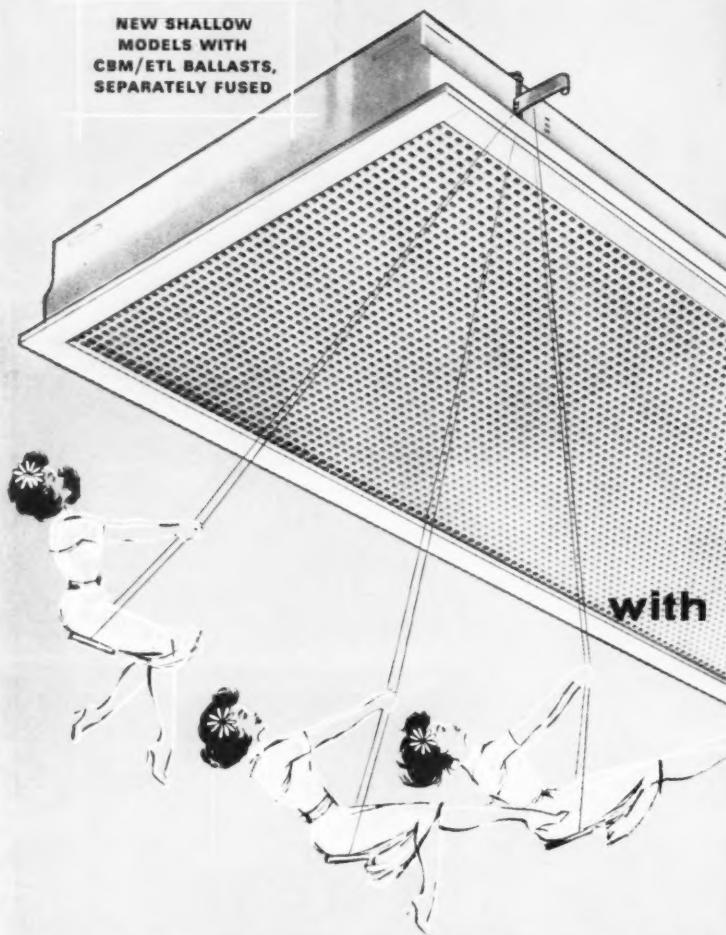


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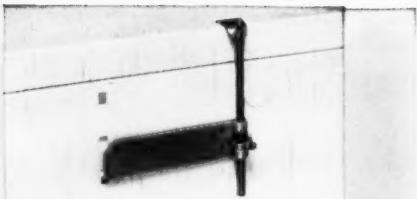
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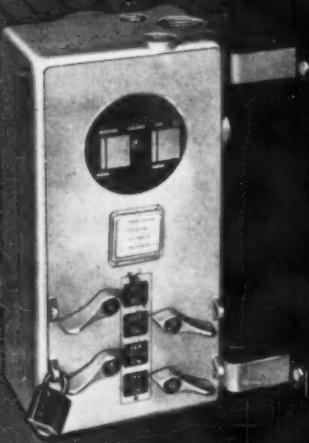


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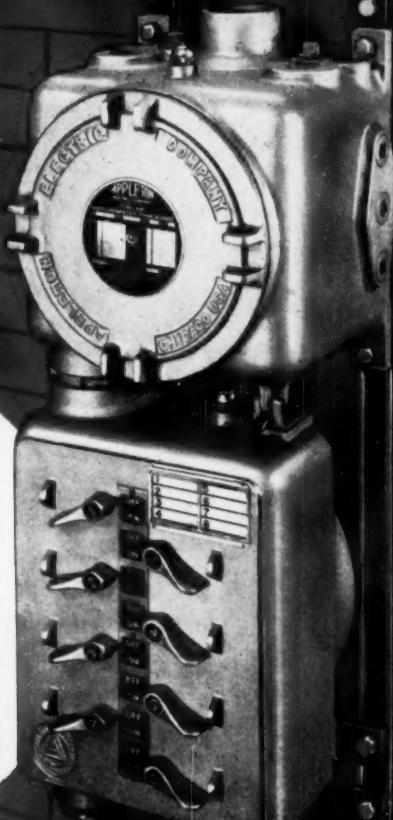
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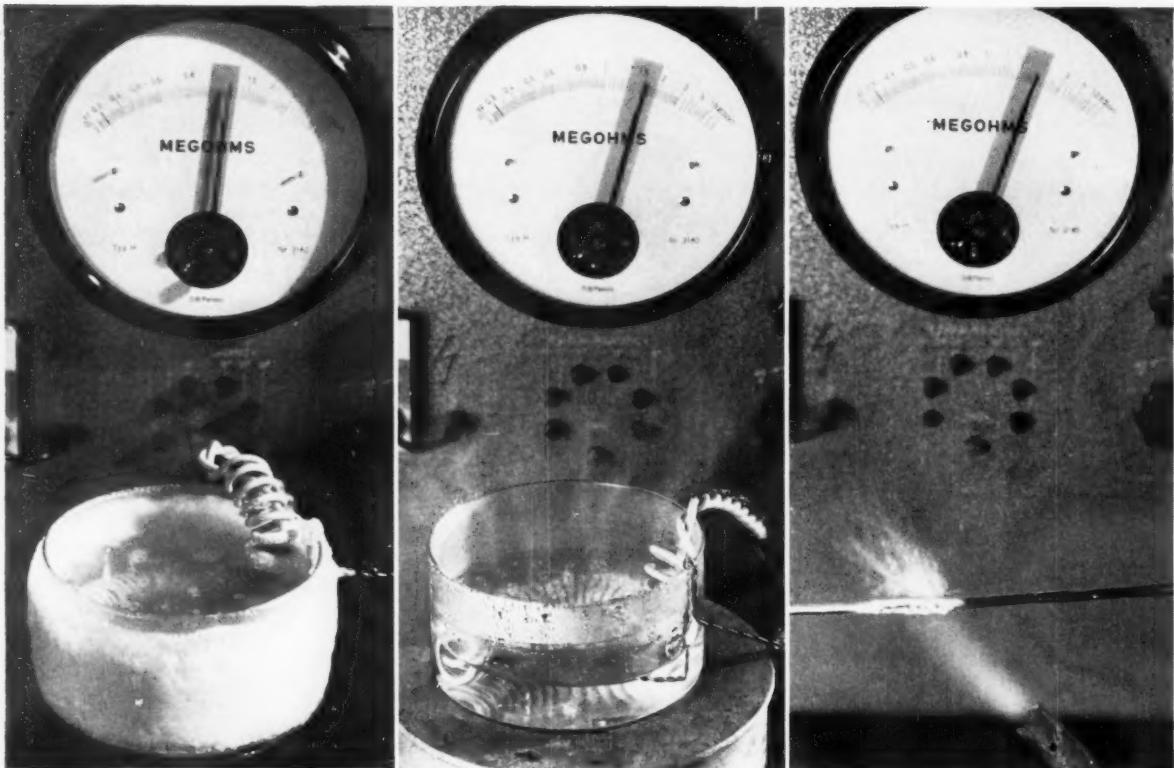
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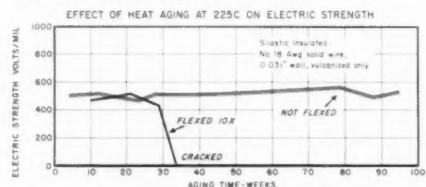
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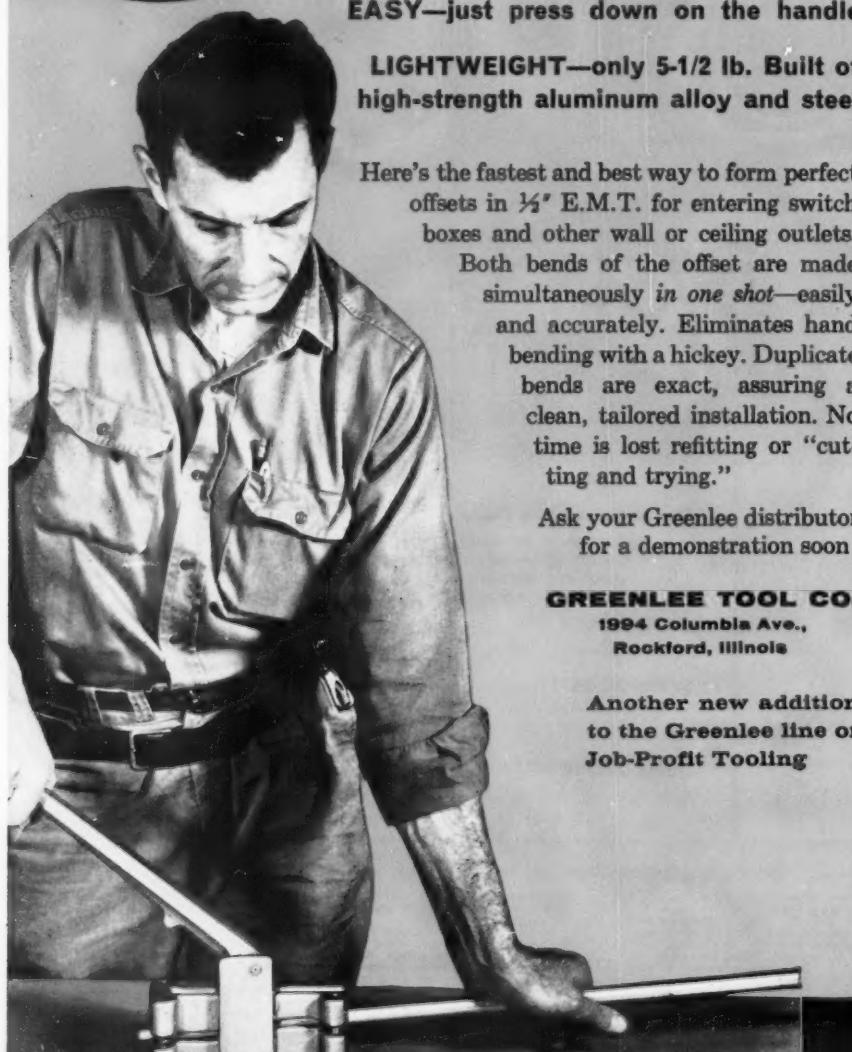
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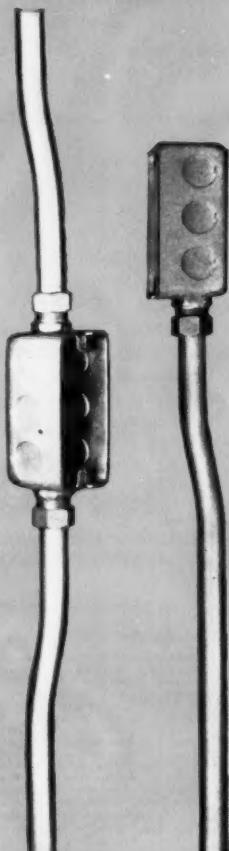
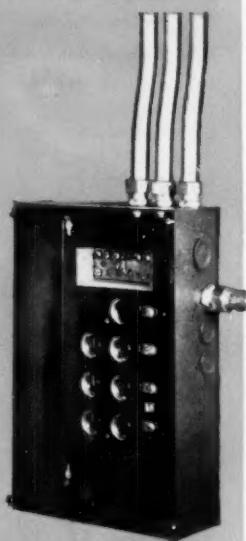
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## THEY SELL LIGHTING MAINTENANCE

Salesladies are doing an effective job of selling lighting maintenance service for Krug Maintenance Co., Inc. of Brooklyn, N. Y., and the feminine touch is a definite asset with customers and prospects, according to Herbert Wohlman, manager of Krug's lighting division. The young women on his sales force are carefully trained and handle many of the technical problems they encounter with only an occasional assist from the engineering staff. Operation of the novel sales organization is described in "Salesladies for Lighting Maintenance" beginning on page 90.

## CONTRACT MAINTENANCE

In the third article in his current series on industrial electrical maintenance practice, Assistant Editor Robert J. Lawrie reports on a Newark, N. J., brewery where electrical maintenance is handled through contract with outside contractors who supply and supervise a 20-man force of skilled electricians. As in previous articles in the series, Mr. Lawrie develops his report through a personal interview with the key personnel involved in the direction of the work. "Electrical Maintenance by Contract" begins on page 84.

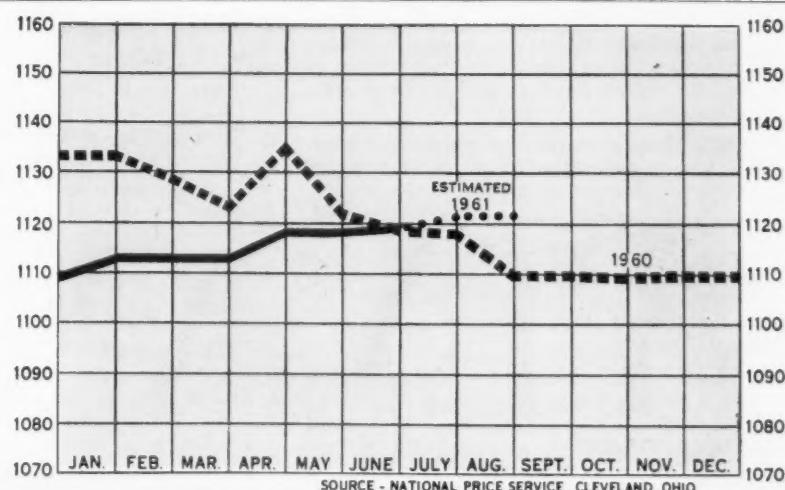
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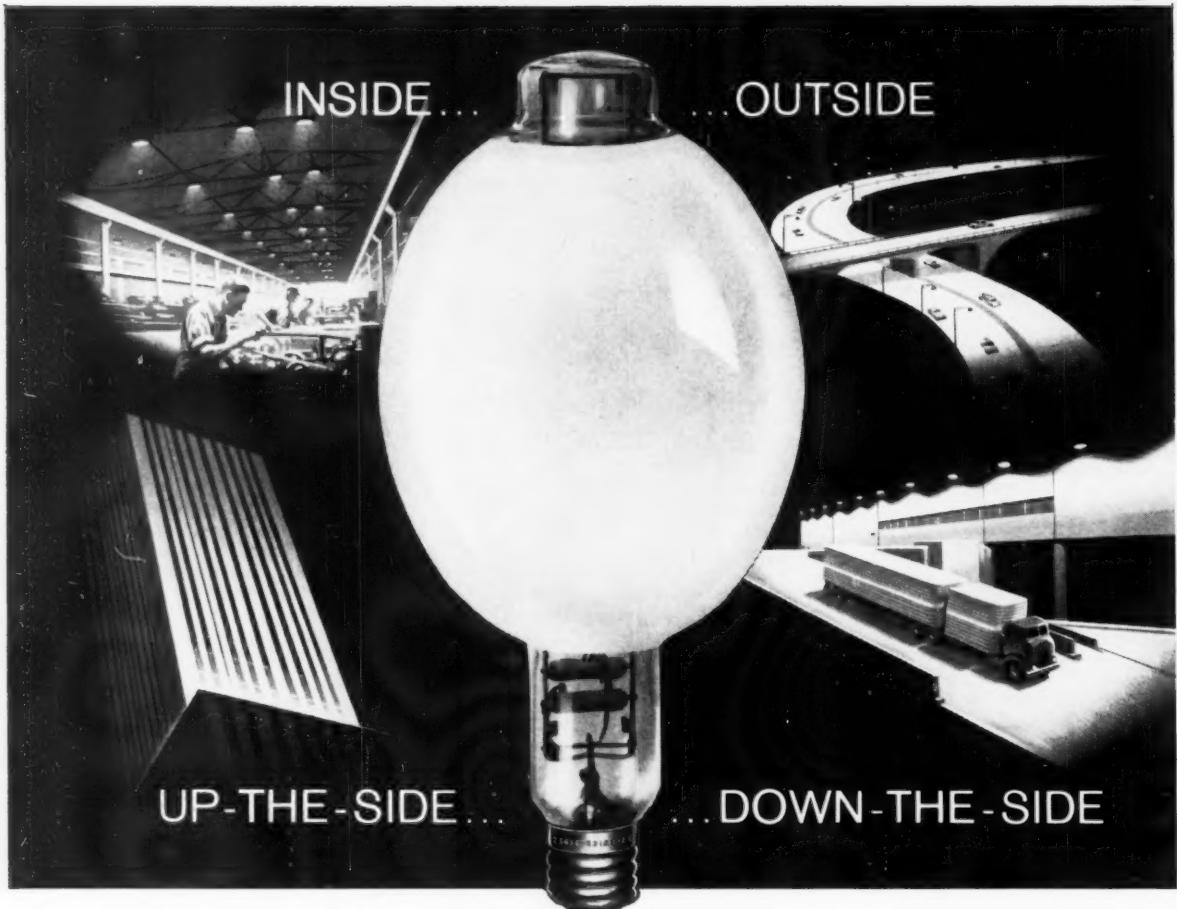
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# Washington Report

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**The nation's economic activity is at a new high**, with its output of goods and services (Gross National Product) having reached a record annual pace of \$515 billion in the second quarter. The previous quarterly high was an annual rate of \$506.8 billion in the second quarter of 1960. The second quarter rate was nearly \$15 billion, or 3% above the first quarter annual rate of \$500.8 billion. Other highlights of the business climate include:

- **Industrial output** in June increased to a near record of 110% of the 1957 average, 8% above the recession low, and only 1% below the record FRB Index of 111, hit in January 1960.
- **Personal income** set a record annual rate of \$416.7 billion, seasonally-adjusted, in June, or \$3.5 billion over the May annual rate.

- **Employment** hit a new high in June, at 68.7 million.
- **Housing starts** in June rose to a seasonally-adjusted annual rate of 1,374,000, highest annual rate for 16 months.

- **Retail sales** reached a 7-month high of \$18.3 billion, up 1% from May. The record is \$18.9 billion, reached in April 1960.

On the debit side, unemployment remains at a disturbing 5,600,000, or about 6.8% of the labor force. Also, the 1961 Federal budget, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1961 showed a deficit of \$3.9 billion. Federal spending in fiscal 1961 totaled \$81.5 billion, and revenues totaled \$77.6 billion. The Administration expects another deficit of \$3.7 billion for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962, exclusive of recent expansion of defense and space spending plans.

**The Business Advisory Council severed its ties** with the Department of Commerce last month, and reorganized as a private group under the name of the Business Council. Its membership, made up of business executives, remains unchanged. The BAC, which had given their time and opinions to Secretaries of Commerce over the past 28 years, would not accept the "tighter controls" imposed on its operations by the current Commerce Secretary Luther H. Hodges. The new Business Council has offered its services to any department of the government.

**Civil defense is being viewed with new urgency**, and President Kennedy is considering a greatly stepped up defense effort. Under an executive order effective August 1, the President transferred to the Defense Department responsibility for civil defense under and after enemy nuclear attack. Involved will be considerably increased funds for civil defense, particularly for atomic fall-out shelters.

**Construction spending in June hit an annual rate of \$56.5 billion**, seasonally adjusted, the highest rate for 22 months. The actual total was \$5,160 million, with \$3,469 million for private funds, and \$1,651 million for public funds. Public works continued to set the pace, at an annual rate of \$17.4 billion, or 10% over a year earlier. Privately financed construction was at an annual rate of \$39.1 billion, or 8% over a year earlier.

**The outlook for homebuilding is improving**. Housing starts in June were 136,900, or a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,374,000, the highest rate for 16 months, and 7% greater than in June 1960. The Commerce Dept's mid-year forecast put housing starts for the year at 1,275,000, or 3% above the 1960 total.



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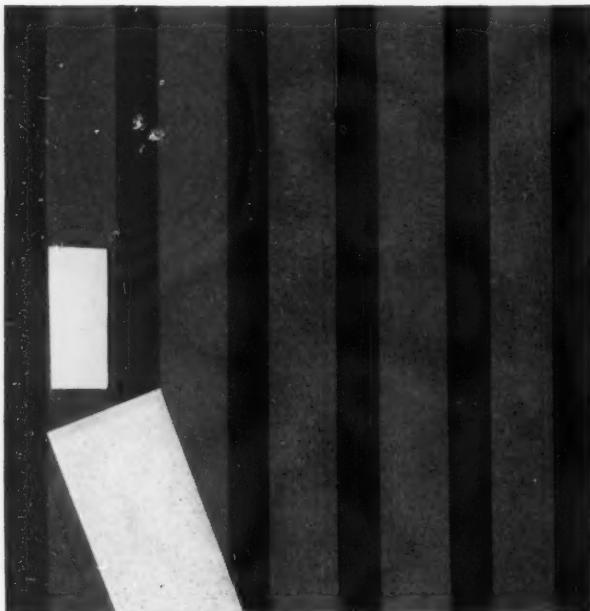
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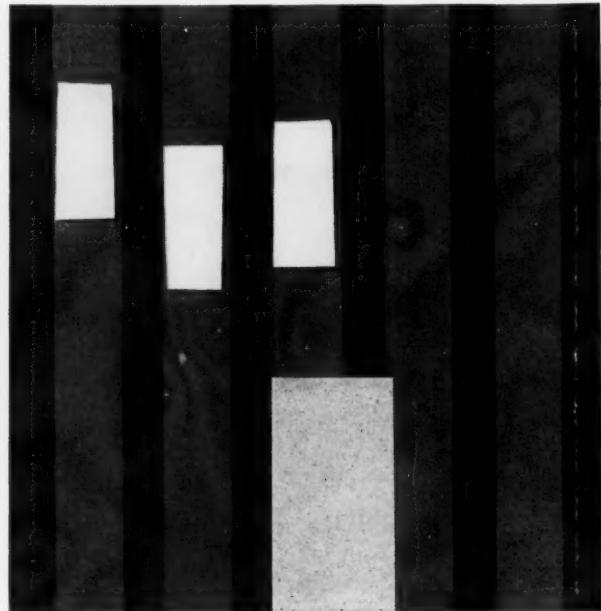
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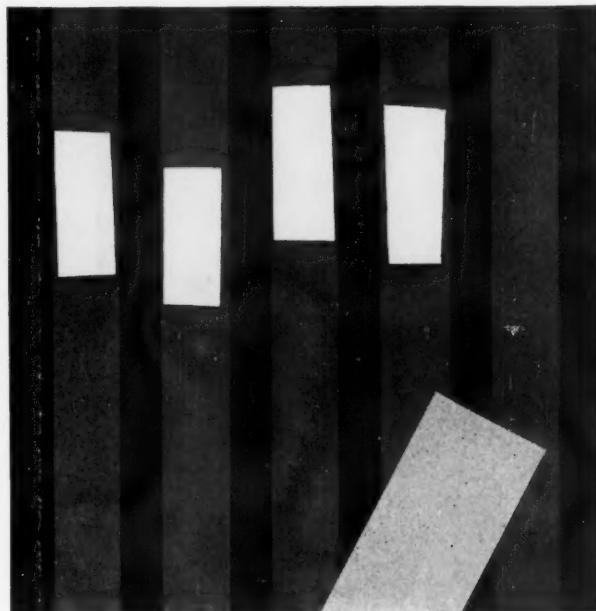


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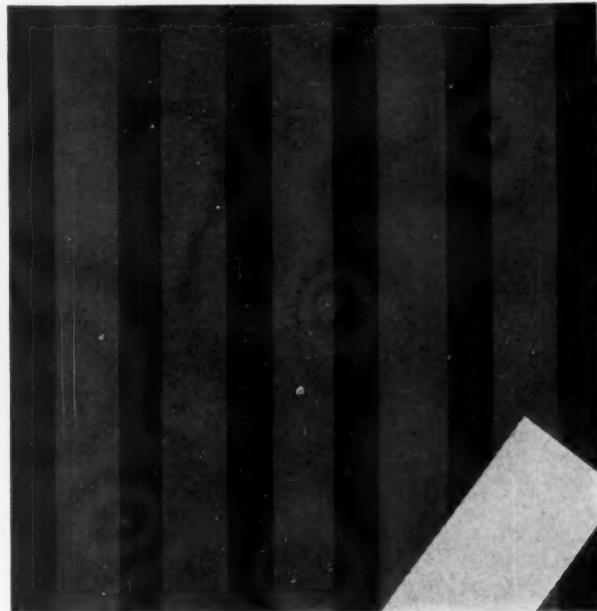


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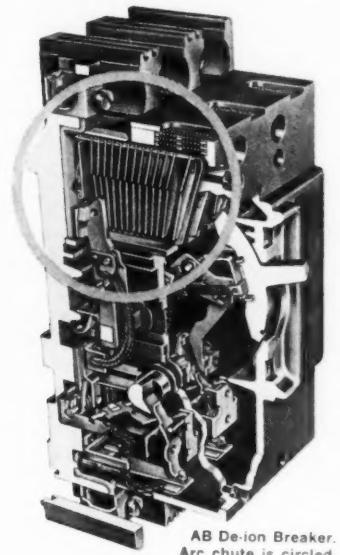
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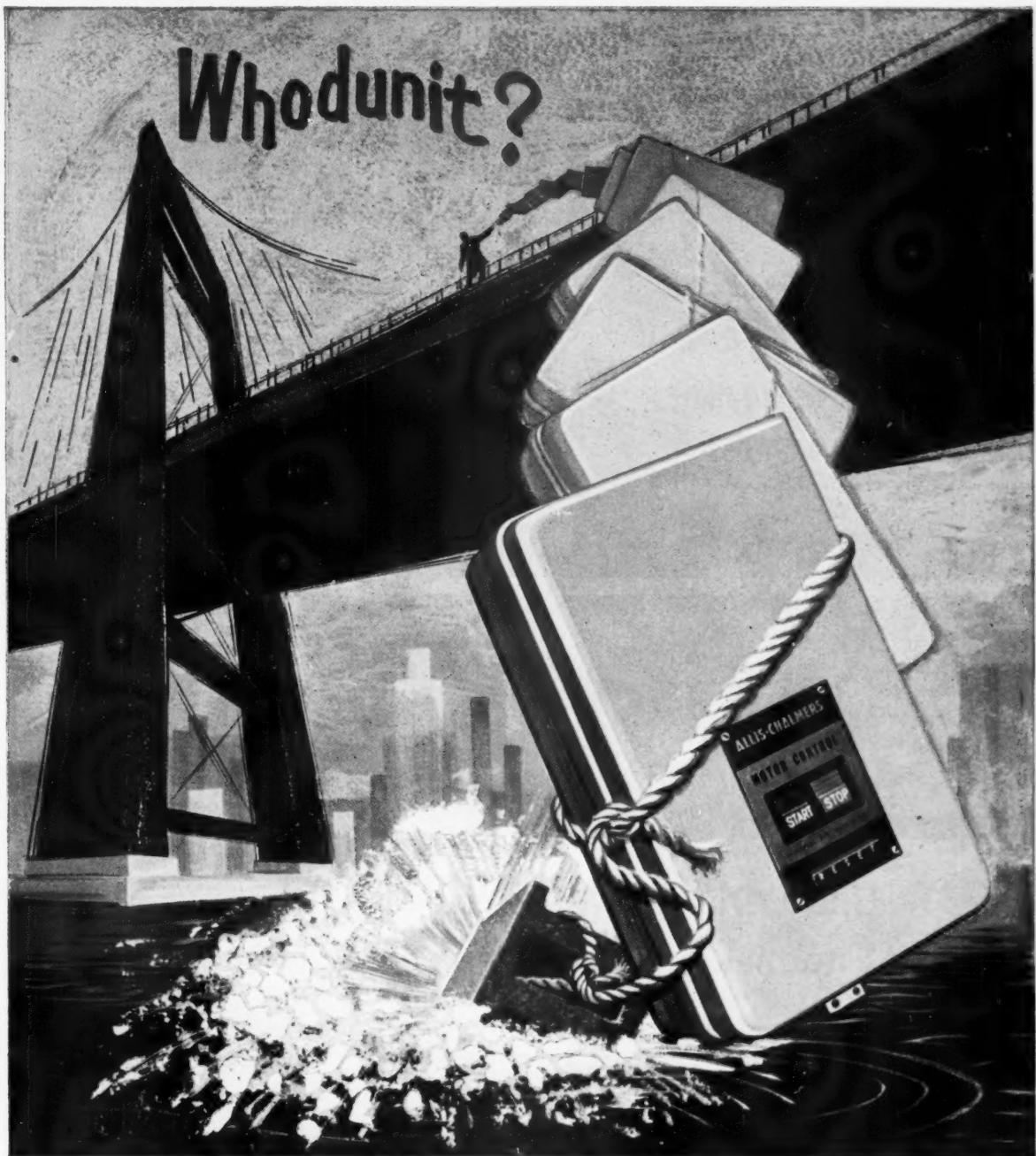
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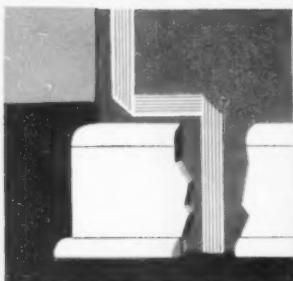
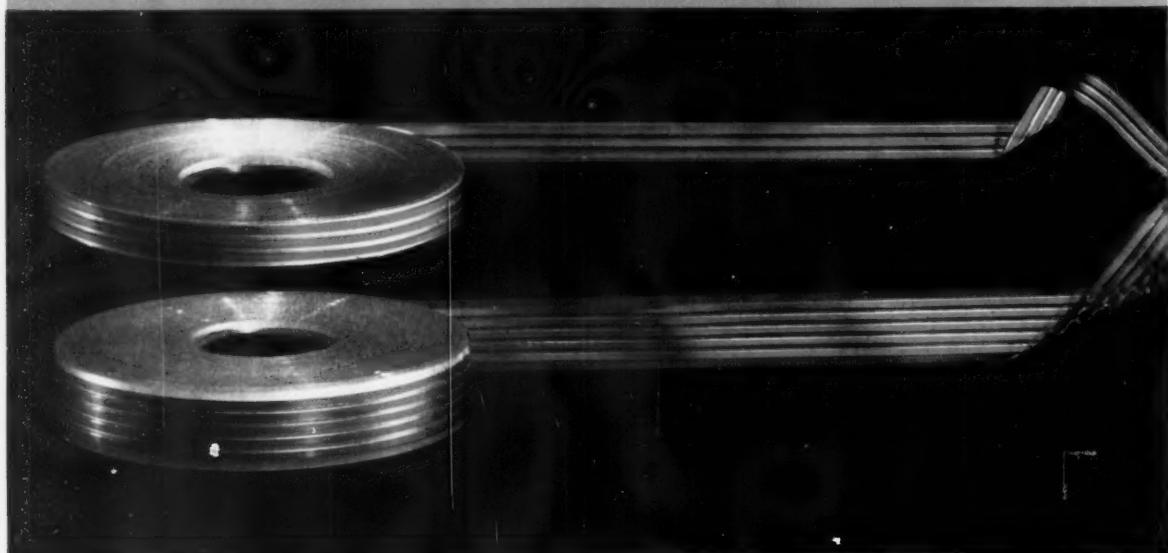
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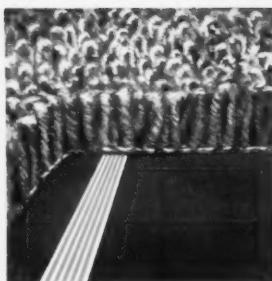
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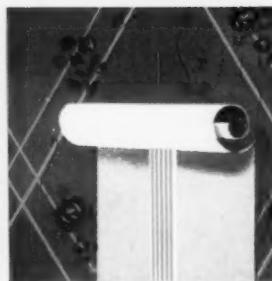
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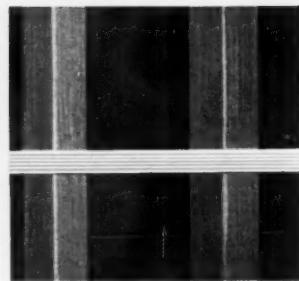
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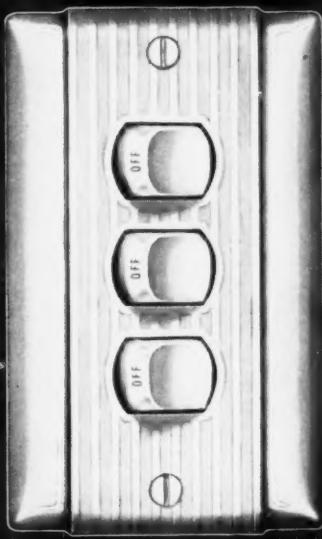


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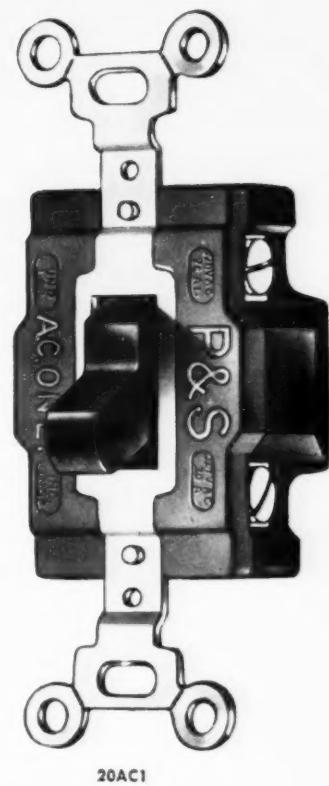
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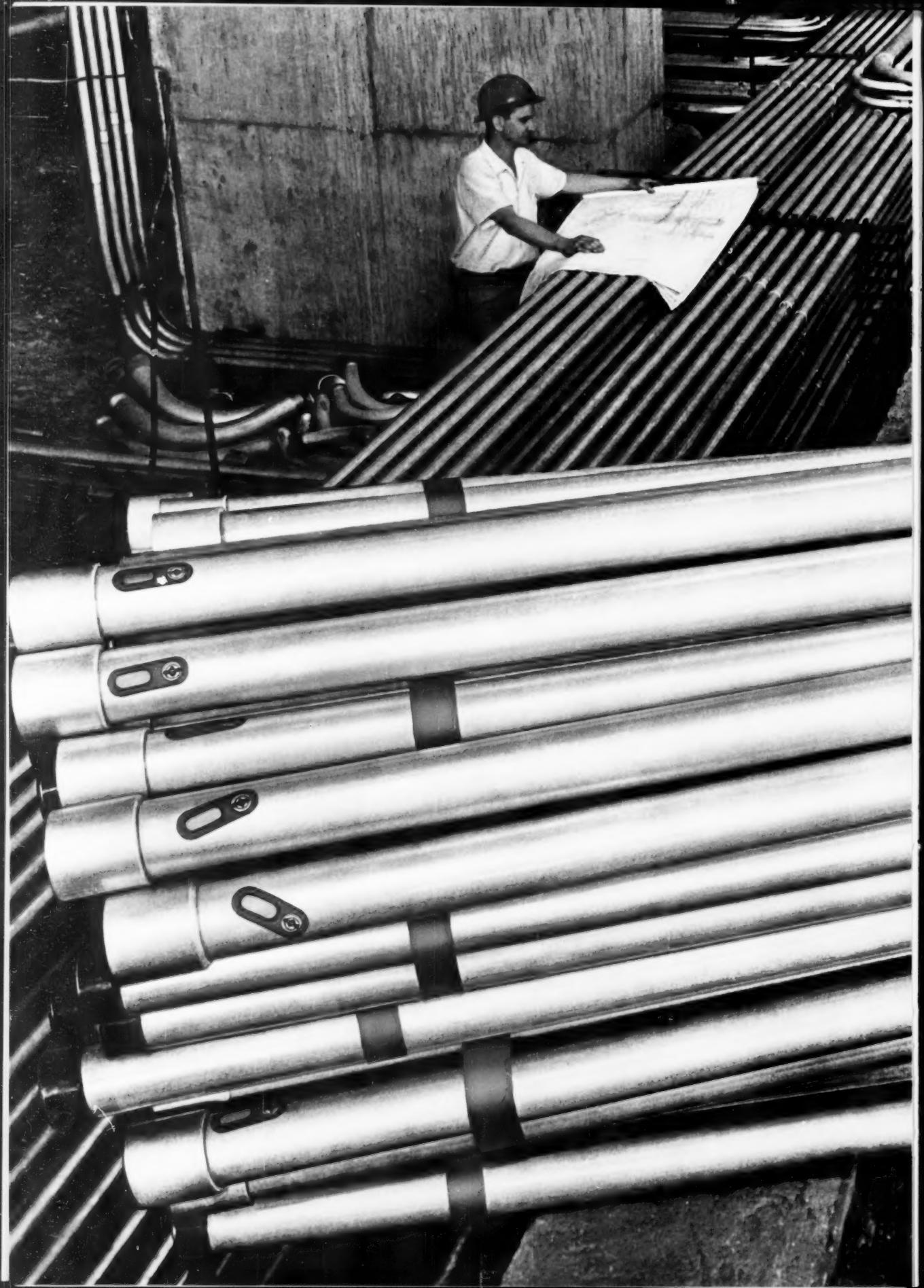
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\* Wt. Loss, oz./ft.<sup>2</sup>

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			Min.	IPY	Max.	Aug.
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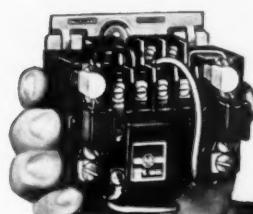
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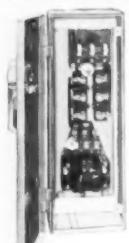
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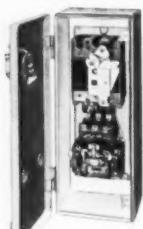
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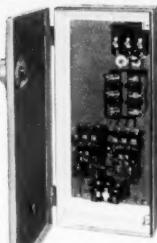
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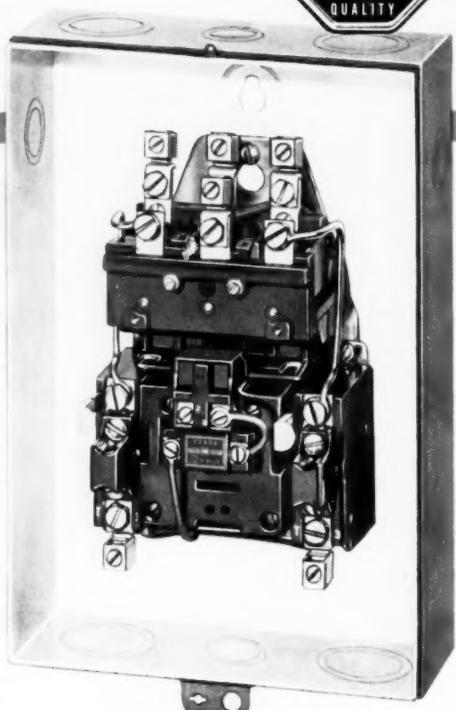
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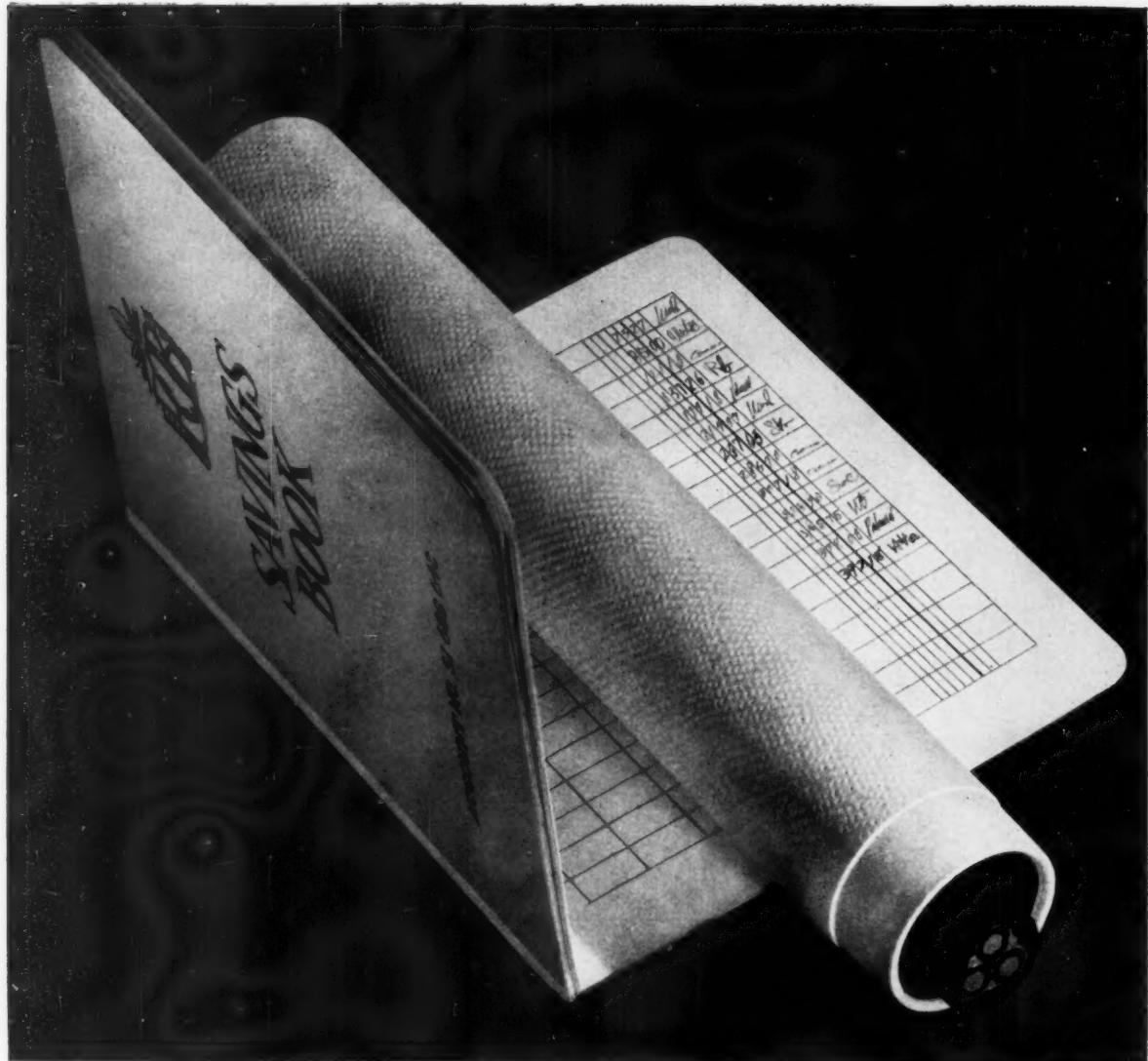
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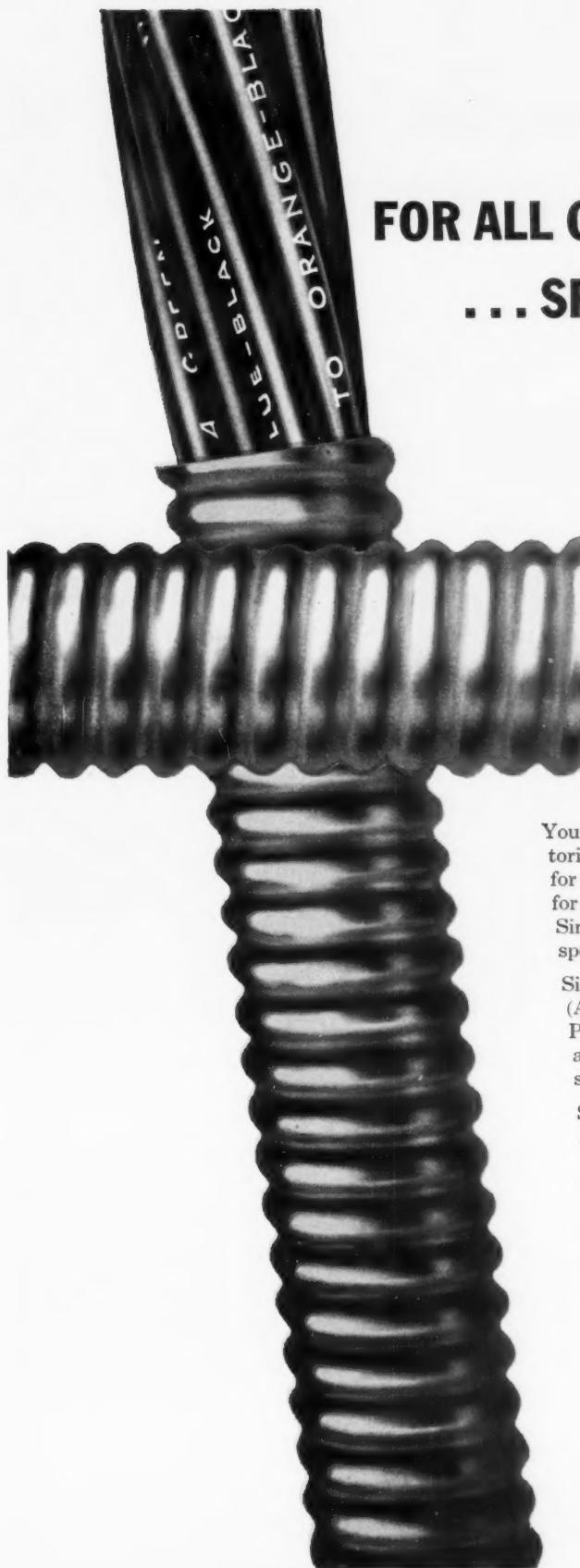
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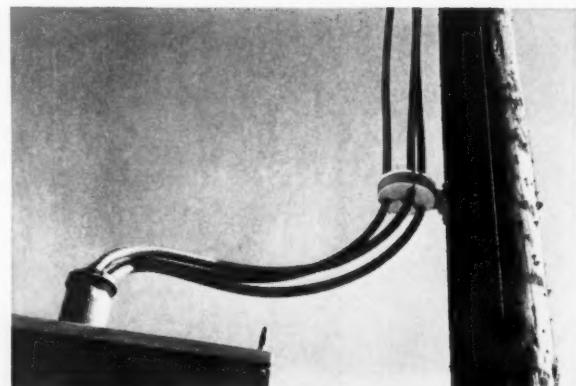
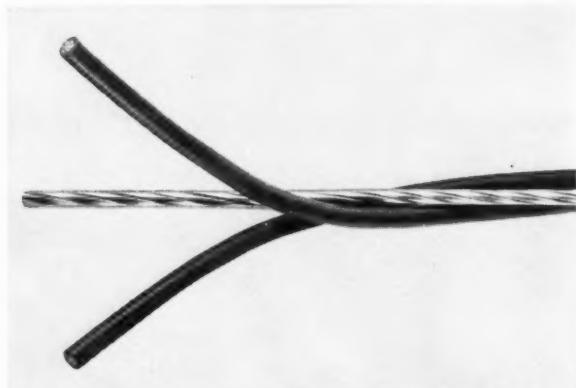
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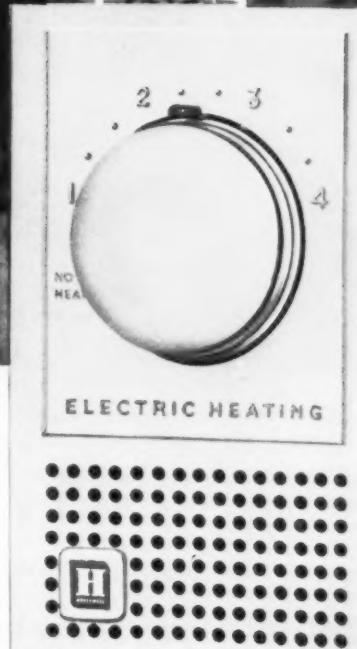
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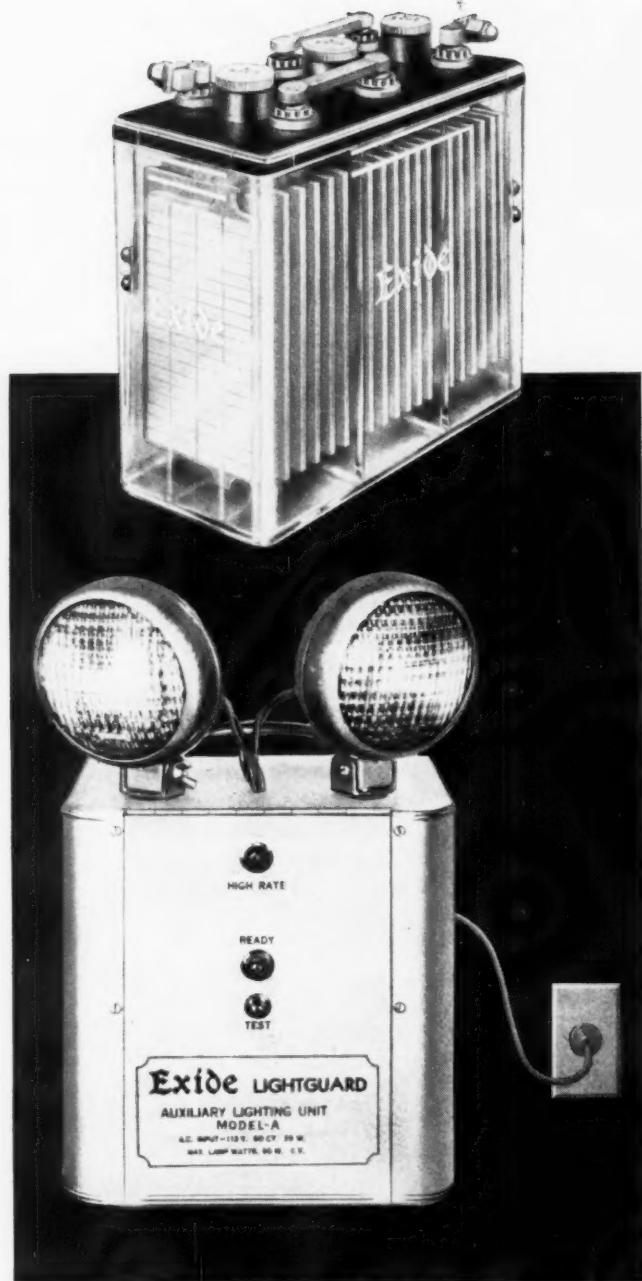
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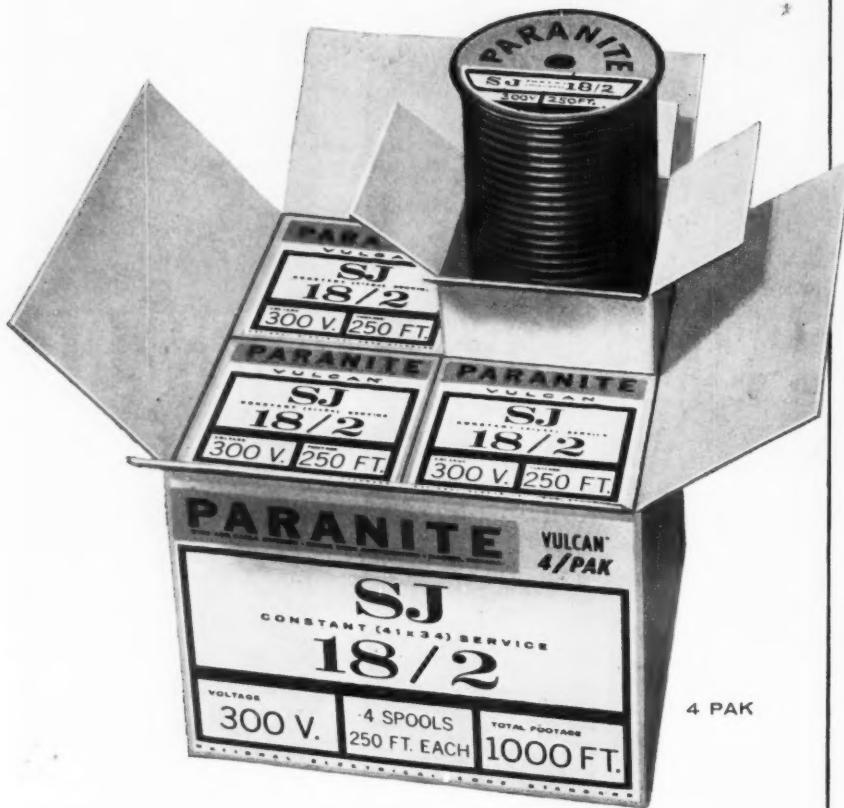
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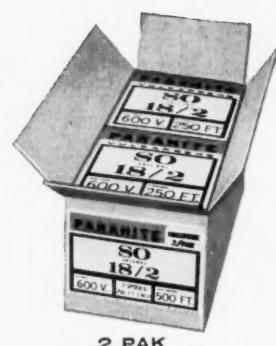
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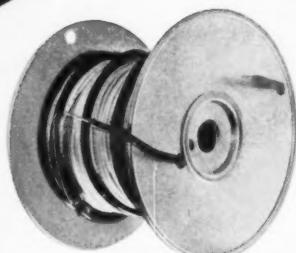
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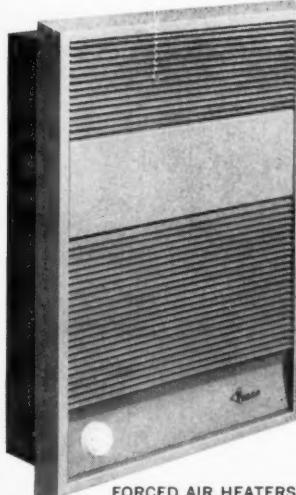


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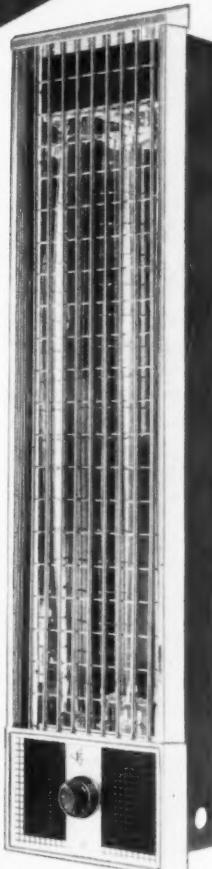
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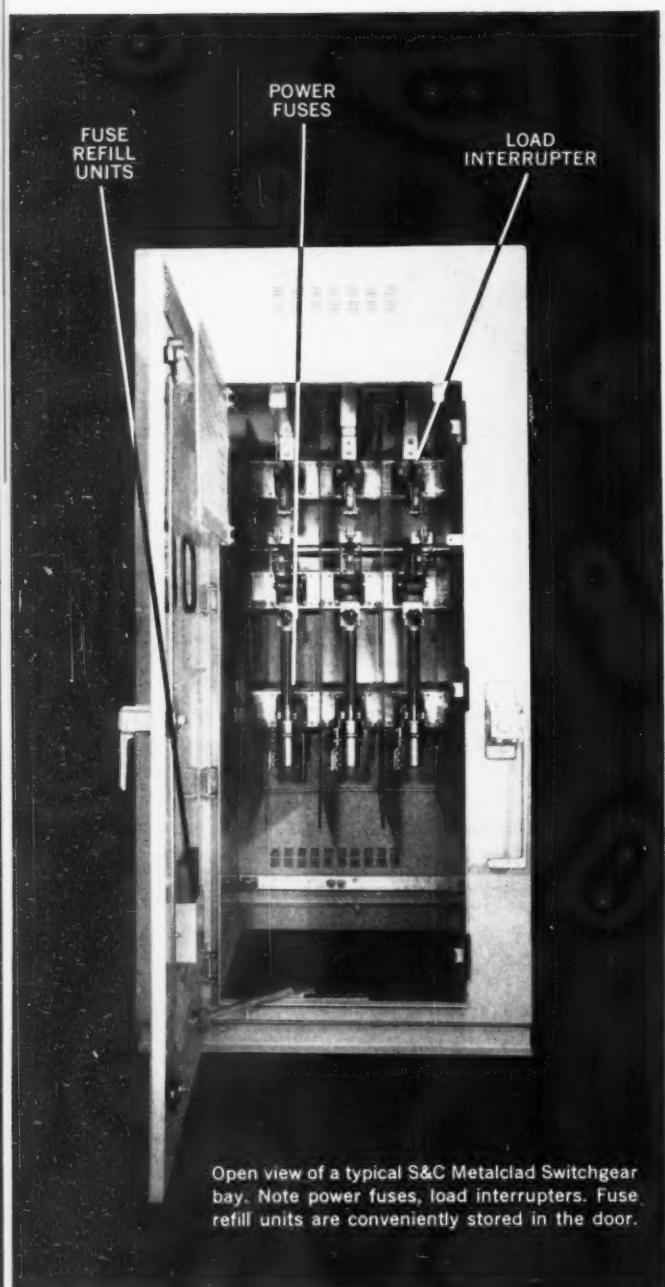
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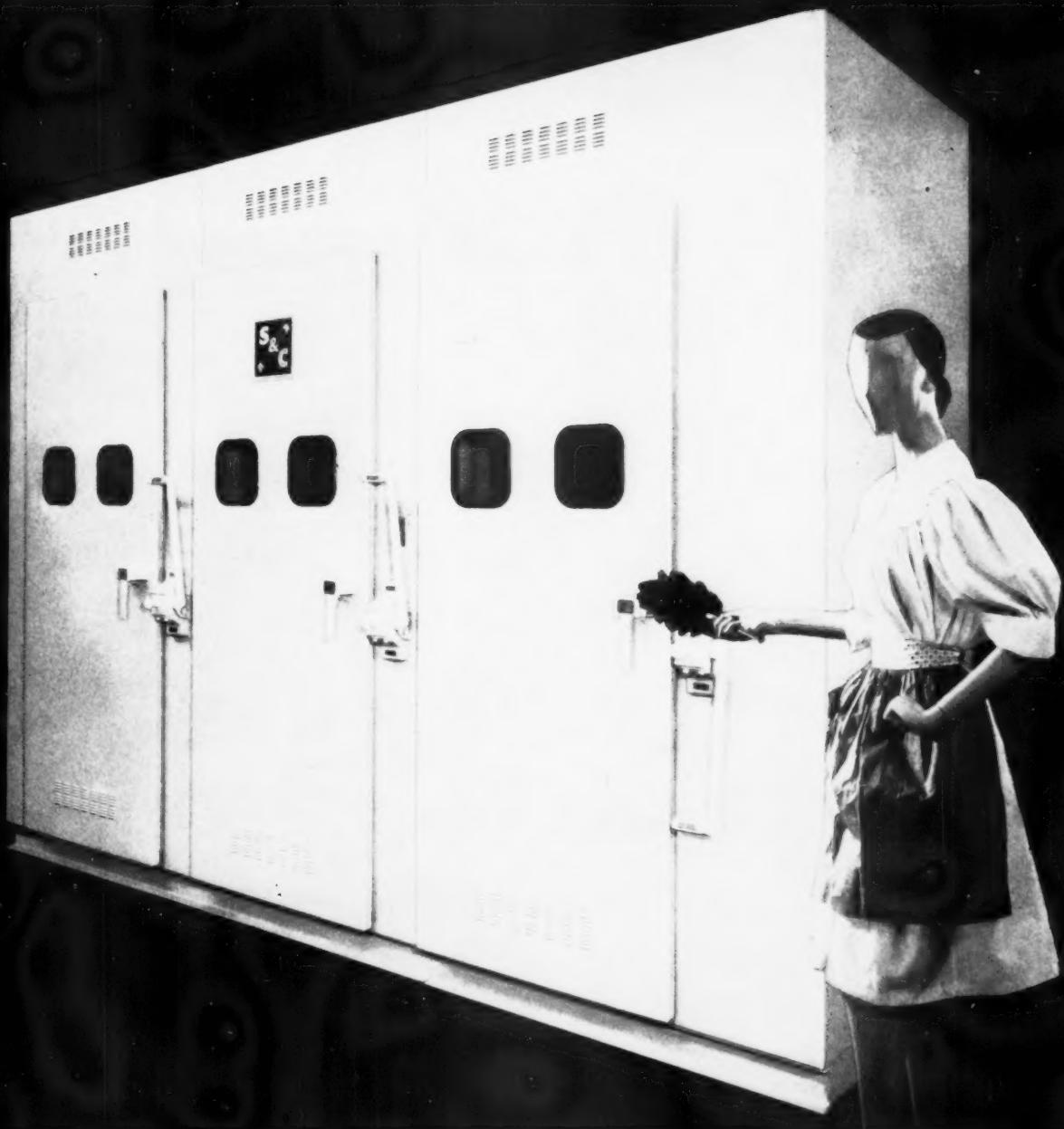
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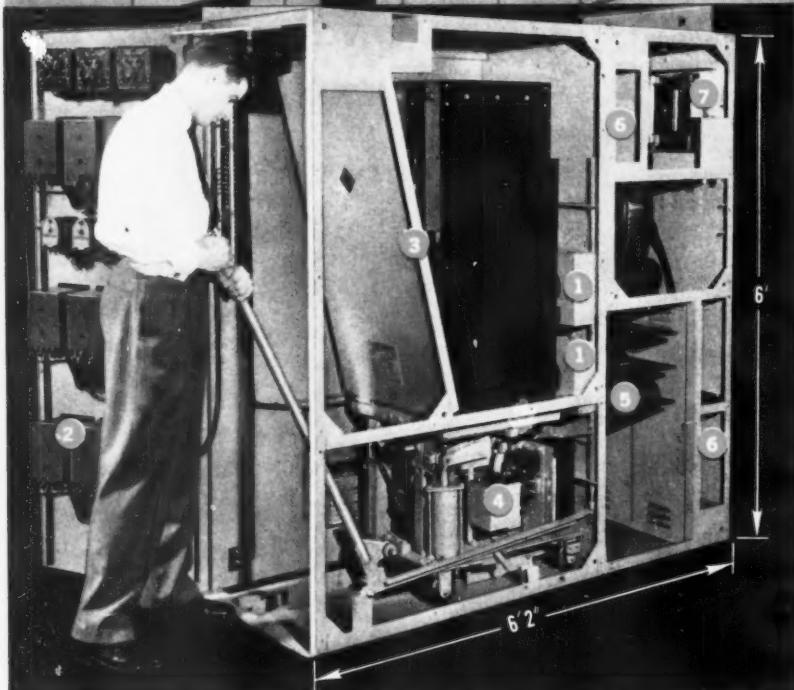
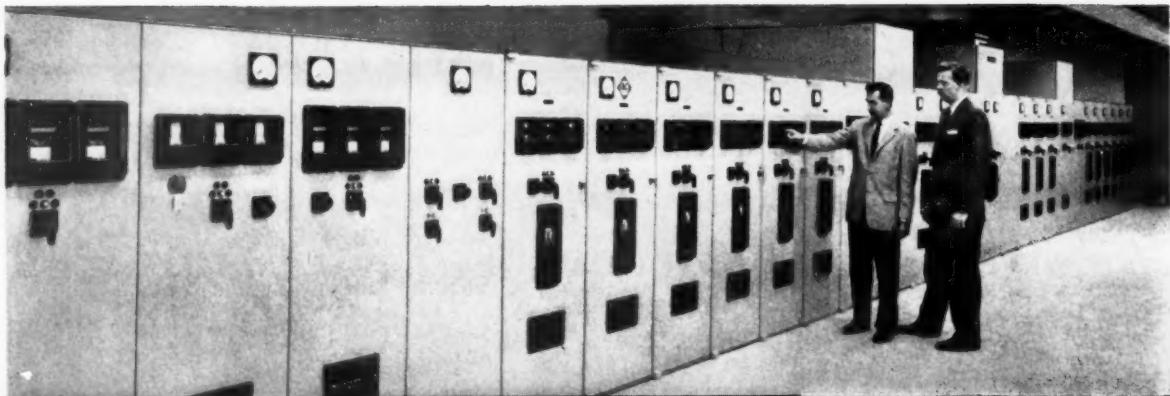
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## Surface Systems Simplify Power And 'Phone Wiring

Tele-Power system puts high and low potential wiring in separate compartments for safe, easy-to-reach installation

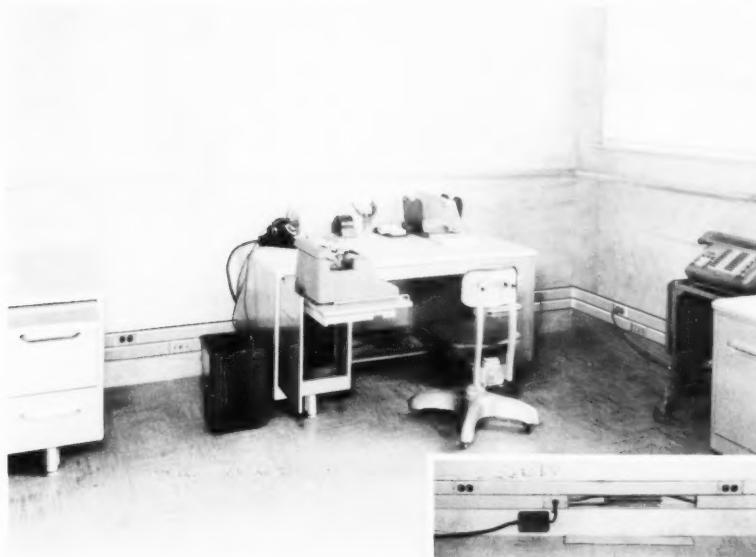
Recognition of the importance of having communications wiring easily accessible for maintenance and expansion has led to the growth of a new approach in wiring offices and institutions.

The new method, called Tele-Power, uses surface systems for power and communications wiring.

yet keeps each type of wiring within its own raceway.

Thus, at one time, the user is given the benefits of a low potential system that meets the recommendations of the telephone companies as well as the convenience of a multi-outlet system for power and lighting.

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PARALLEL RUNS of raceway house power and light wiring in upper run, telephone wires in lower. With each type in its own

compartment, there is no chance of wires being exposed to each other. Inset shows type 30 terminal block inside 3000 raceway.

### Code Comments

#### Conductor Size Limit

**Q.** *What is the largest size conductor that may be installed in surface metal raceways?*

**A.** Section 352-3, Article 352 of the code specifically limits the conductor size to a maximum of No. 6.

#### Low Voltage Conductors

**Q.** *When using 3000 and 2100 in communication work, such as with nurses' call systems, fire alarms, etc., are there any Code restrictions as to the number of low voltage wires or multi-conductor cables that can be put in a single raceway?*

**A.** The above in general are classified as Class 2 circuits and fall in the category of low-energy power circuits. The number of conductors for this type of circuitry which may be installed in either 3000 or 2100 is covered in Section 725-15, along with Table 3 of the Code.

#### Extending Through Walls and Floors

**Q.** *May surface metal raceways be extended through walls and floors?*

**A.** According to Section 352-5, Article 352, "Except in multi-outlet assemblies, raceways may be extended through dry walls, dry partitions and dry floors, if unbroken in lengths passing through." Multi-outlet assemblies are covered in Section 353-3, Article 353 which permits extending through (not run within) "... dry partitions, providing arrangements are made for removing the cap or cover on all exposed portions and no outlet falls within the partitions."

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## Editorial

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This is the thought with which each issue of the Wiring Guide is introduced.

To carry this idea further into practice, with this issue we begin a new department — "Ground to Ground" — in which we ask a question we hope you will take the time to answer. More about this below.

## Quiz Corner

**Q.** In wiring 2127G receptacles, should the wire be wrapped completely around the terminal screw?

**A.** No. The wire should only be looped around the screw.

**Q.** What Wiremold fixture boxes can be used with narrow laminated arch construction in current use in churches and schools?

**A.** 5737 and 5738 which have smaller diameter ( $4\frac{3}{4}$ ") than the 5737A and 5738A.

**Q.** How do I feed 2600 Pancake from  $\frac{3}{4}$ " pipe down a column?

**A.** Connect pipe to 2182A Entrance End Fitting, then use a short length of 2100 Wiremold which will permit connecting to the 2600 through a 2186 Adjustable Offset Connector.

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## Product of the Month

### Tool simplifies cover removal from Pancake® 1500 and 2600

Designed to simplify and speed up the removal of the cover from Pancake 1500 and 2600 overfloor systems, the 656 Cover Removal tool is easy to use and small enough to fit in any tool case.

Each end of the tool is made to fit one of the two raceways and is stamped with the series number for easy identification. Use of the tool eliminates any danger of twisting or kinking the cover section.

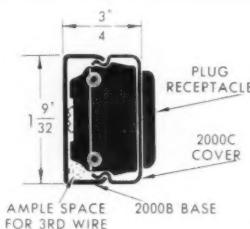
To use the 656 tool, start at one end of the cover, or where cover joins fitting, and progress toward opposite end. Firm and steady pressure should be applied, but care should be taken not to force cover.

After removal, cover may be installed by the normal method. Hook one side of the cover under the bead of the base and apply pressure by stepping on cover with a glancing blow until it snaps in place.



**Q.** Is there room in 2000 Plug-mold for an additional No. 12 Type TW wire?

**A.** Yes. The receptacle is designed to permit a conductor to pass by.



## Ground to Ground

With this issue, we begin a new department. We hope you will take the time to dash off a frank answer to the questions asked. Your cooperation will help to improve our products and services to you. Answers will not be published, but will be acknowledged. Please address reply to:

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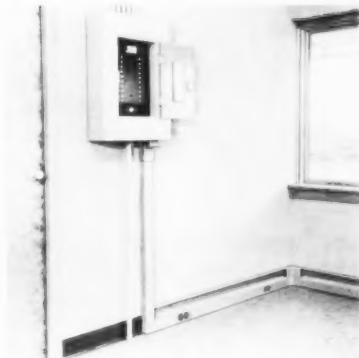
## Power and 'Phone Wiring continued from first page



**GROUNING TYPE** duplex outlets were used in power run of this Tele-Power set-up. The upper run houses telephone wires.



**TWIN RACEWAYS** of 2100 series permit modern power and phone wiring in this executive office.



**POWER WIRING** is complete; phone installer has own section for low potential wiring within separate raceway.

Basically, a Tele-Power system consists of a pair of parallel runs of Wiremold raceways — one for telephone, signal and interoffice wiring; the other for power and light wiring. The system is practical for both new and old buildings.

For both the installer and the user, Tele-Power systems provide many advantages in terms of service, convenience, economy, and flexibility.

Because each raceway has its own cover, the electrical contractor or telephone installer needs only install, or remove the cover for, the wiring that concerns him. Thus, the high and low potential wiring are not exposed to each other. When assembling, or reassembling, there is no chance of a fault developing in the wiring outside the installer's jurisdiction.

Because Tele-Power systems are

part of the basic product line, the complete array of fittings can be used, saving the cost of expensive special fittings. Also, no new installation techniques are needed; anyone who has installed surface raceways can install a Tele-Power system.

The usual advantages of surface systems, of course, go with the Tele-Power system: covers are easily snapped into the base without fittings or screw holes; receptacles can be located anywhere along the power run; and, by specifying raceways with extra capacity, additional wiring can be installed whenever needed without disturbing the rest of the system.

The completed installation is neat and virtually unnoticeable. The two raceways fit closely together with no gap between them.

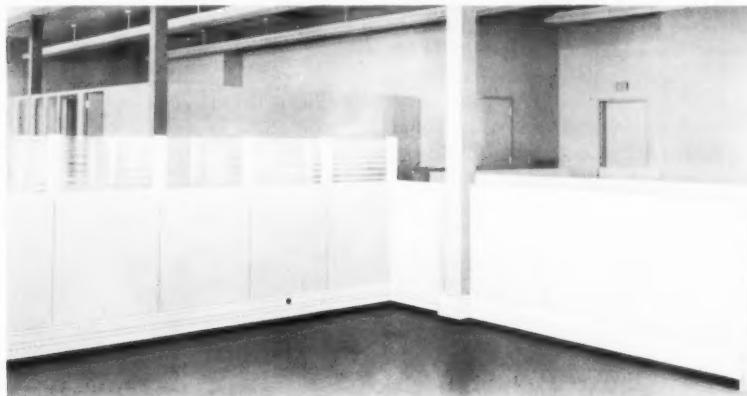
Most commonly used raceways

are the 3000 series and the 2100 series. In addition to capacity, the 3000 series also is designed to accept type 30 multi-terminal blocks for telephones directly in the raceway. This avoids mounting the blocks on the wall, and still leaves ample space in the raceway for additional cabling.

Of course, Wiremold 2000 and 2200 also are used. Either series has the additional feature of being designed for use with Snapcoil®, 50-ft. lengths of pre-wired receptacles which eliminate multiple splices between short lengths.

Tele-Power systems may be installed using the same raceway series for both runs, or using different series for power and communications.

Tele-Power systems offer the maximum in modern wiring — to the specifier, installer and user.



**THREE RUN** Tele-Power system uses center strip of Plugmold 2000 with outlets 30-in.

on center, while two runs of 2200 raceway house phone wiring and a PAX system.



**CONVENIENCE** of multi-outlet system for operating business machines is combined in this Tele-Power installation with latest in communication wiring techniques.

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Press-mounted Plugmold® is power source for mold areas

## PROBLEM:

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## SOLUTION:

Two special strips of Plugmold 3000, each with eight Twistlock receptacles, were prepared. One strip was located on the upper mold frame, the other on the lower as a power supply for the respective mold areas.

## DISCUSSION:

Together with engineers of the machinery manufacturing firm, Wiremold engineers designed strips of Plugmold 3000 to meet the requirements. This series was chosen as the one that best met the requirements because it accepted standard receptacles and had the necessary capacity.

The molds used in the machine

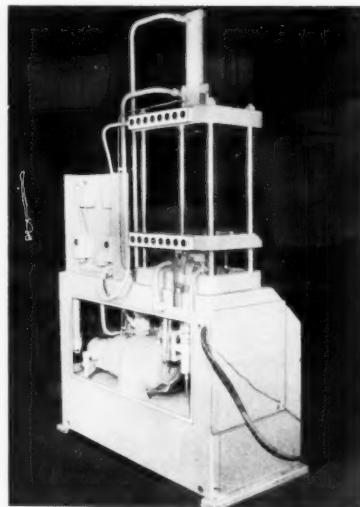
are electrically heated, and having the power source directly on the press was thought to be an important convenience and safety factor since it would eliminate long wires going to the mold cavities. In addition, it was felt that this arrangement would permit greater flexibility in press placement.

In operation, flexible leads with Twistlock plug caps come from the heating coils in the molds and are plugged into the strips mounted on the press. The speckled finish is applied by the press manufacturer to match the finish on the machine.

One end KO on each strip is removed to permit the conductors to enter the raceway. The base is attached to the frame, but the cover is easily removable for necessary maintenance. The flexible leads were specified to permit the conductors to travel with the mold head.

Cooperation with equipment manufacturers has led to greater use of

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## Useful Literature

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### Tele-Power Data Sheet

Complete information on the installation of a 3-run Tele-Power System in an engineering office. The system consists of one run of Plugmold 2000 and two runs of 2200, one for telephone; the other for PAX system. (A-14)

### Branch Circuits in College Building

Use of Wiremold 3000 as the raceway system for the branch circuits required for the lighting as well as for the special purpose circuits is described in data sheet. Installation is at Oregon State College's new physics-chemistry building, Corvallis, Ore. (A-15)

## Practical Tips

Behind-radiator installations made without removing radiator

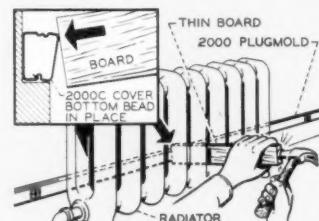
Installing Plugmold behind radiators is easily accomplished without removing the heating devices by the use of two simple techniques developed in the field.

For short radiators, the cover and base are pre-assembled with the wiring inside. The base is extended beyond the cover to provide a means for fastening to the wall.

For long radiators, where there is sufficient space between the heat webs, install the base by reaching through with a long, magnetized or clutch type screwdriver. Then, snap wiring into the cover section and lay the assembly behind radiator.

With one man on each end of the radiator, engage the lower bead of

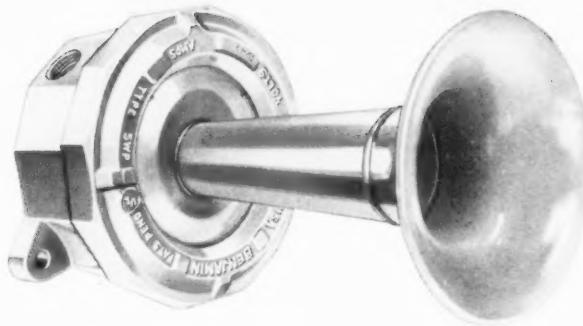
the cover along the entire length. Working from one end to the other, close top beads. A short length of board held against the cover and rapped sharply will close the cover in places which cannot be reached by hand. To avoid hidden outlets, use jumpers with blank cover.



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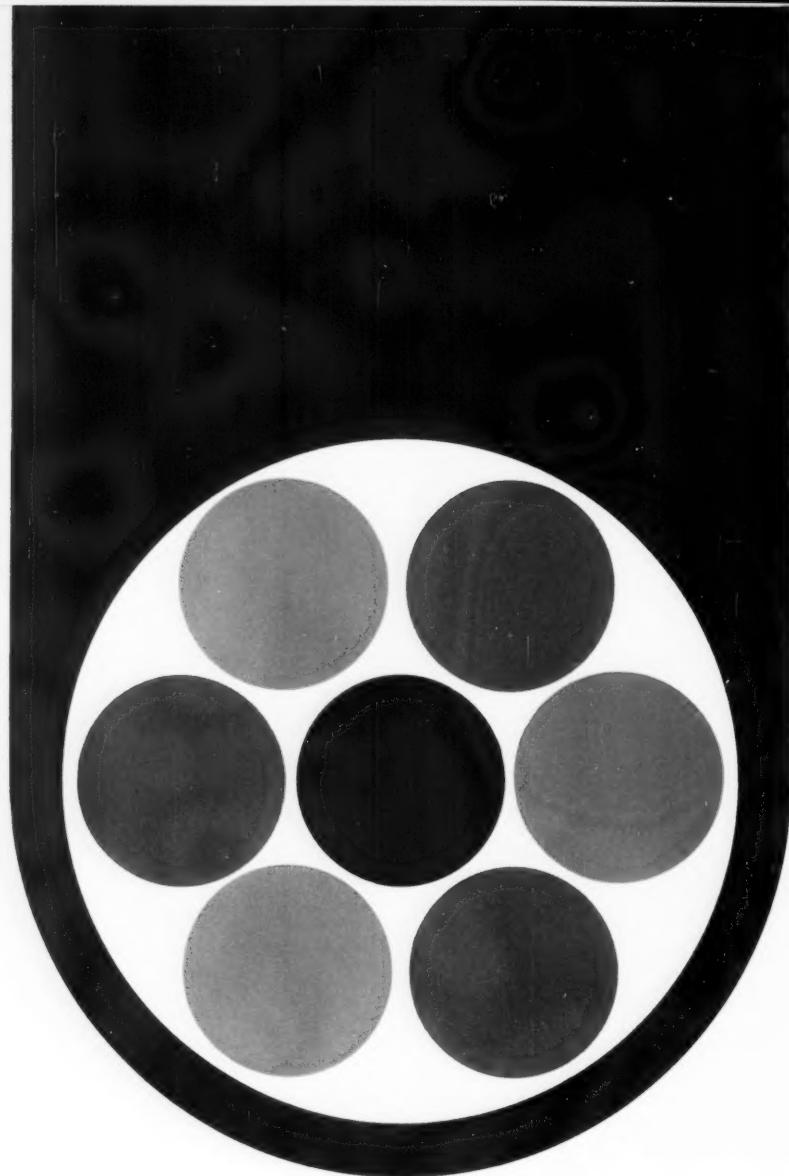
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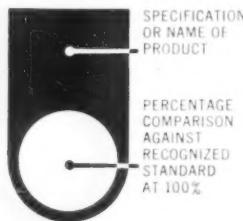


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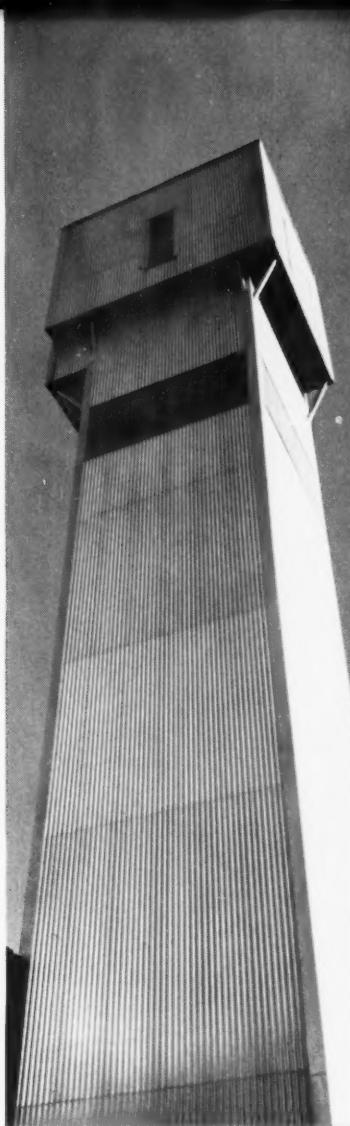


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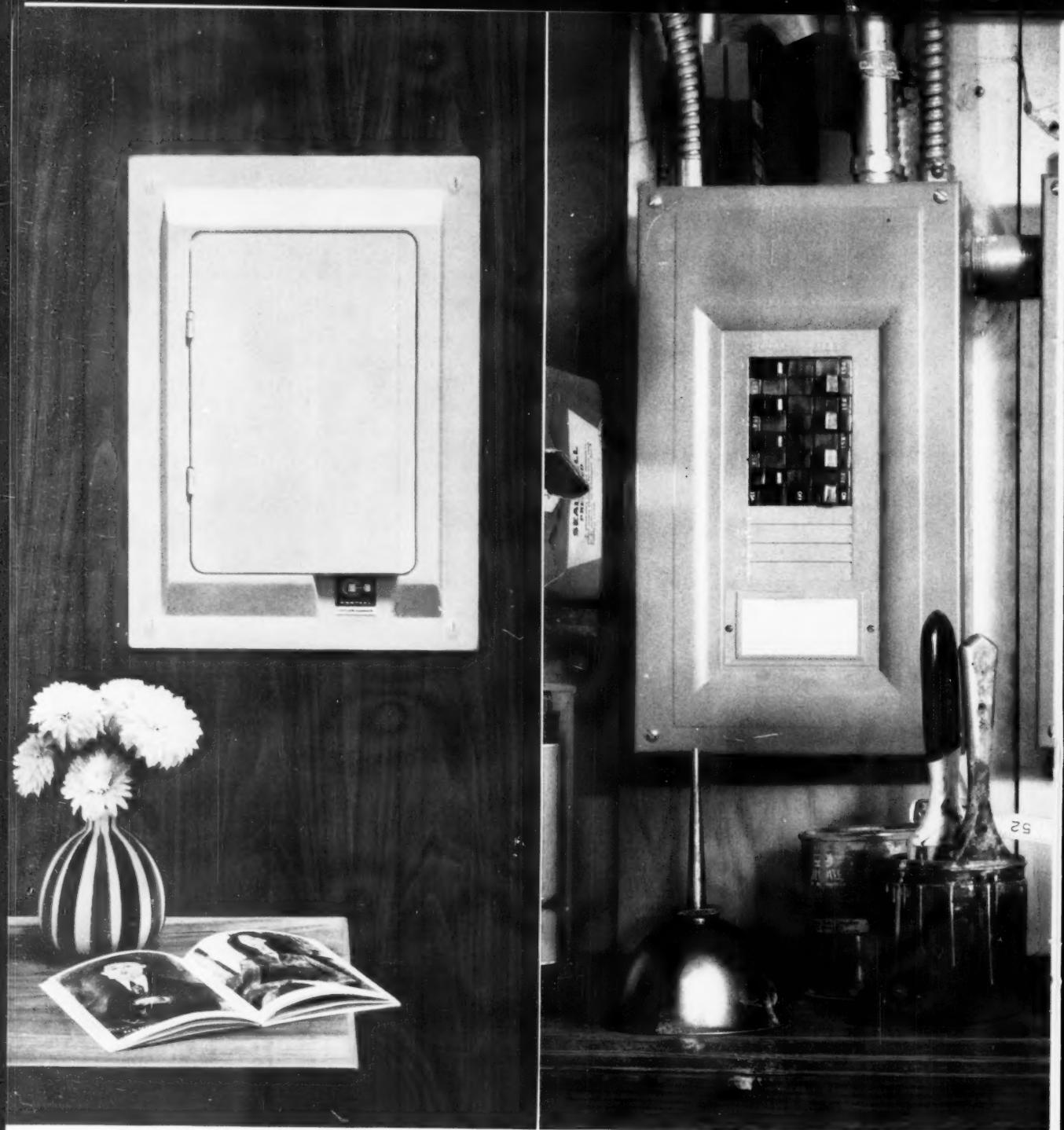
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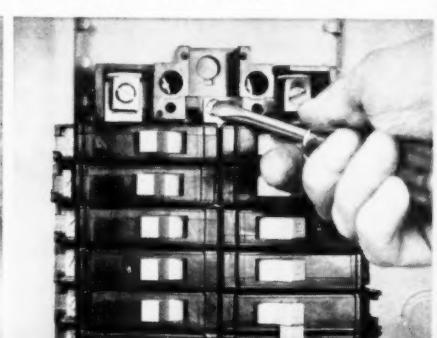
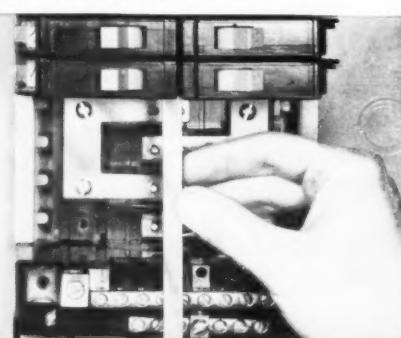
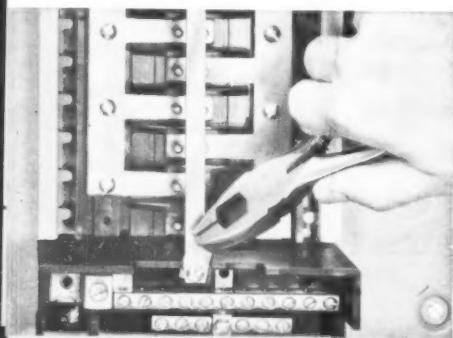


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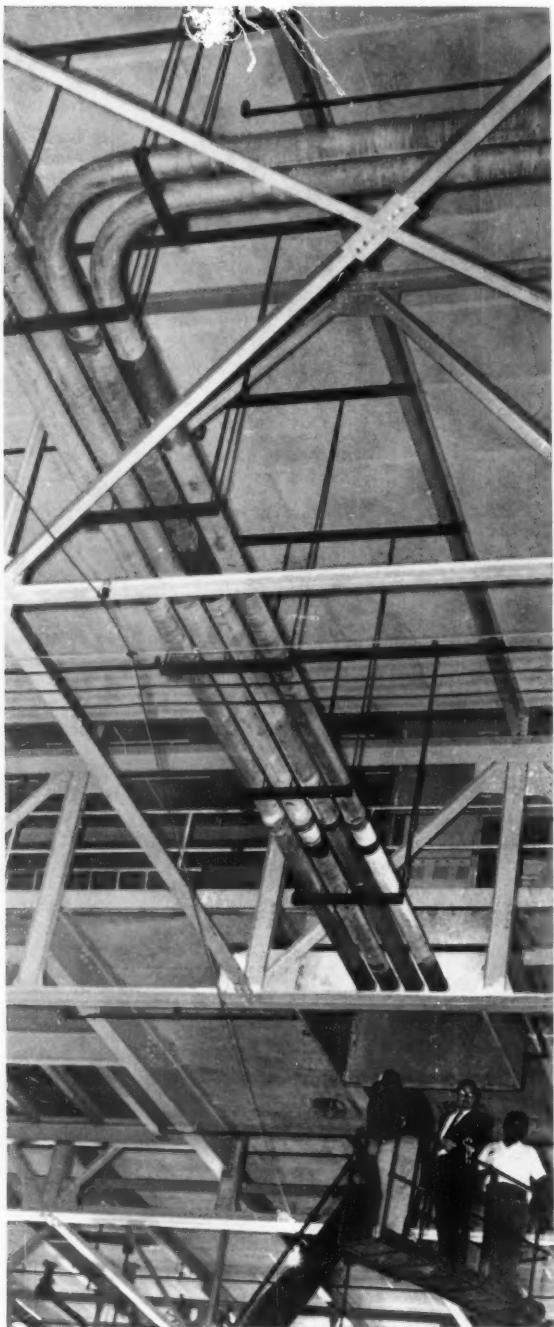
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**Necktie:** "Let's go down."

**Work shirt:** "Steel conduit has a smooth interior . . . makes it easy to pull wires. Saves time and money."

**Necktie:** "Let's go down."

**White shirt:** "We wouldn't use anything *but* steel conduit here. You know . . . don't send a pony to do a horse's job. Okay. Want to go down?"

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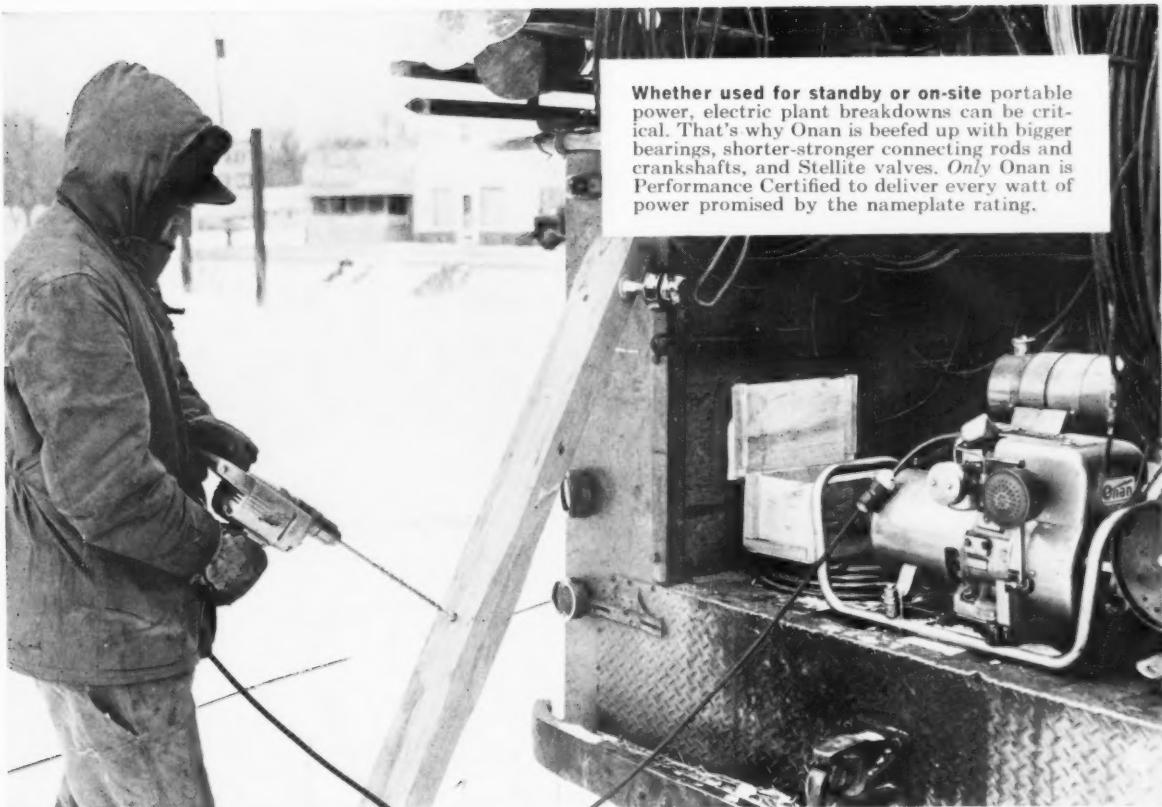


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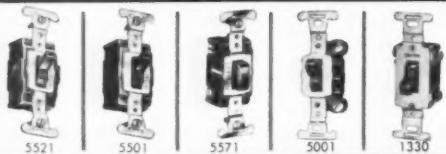
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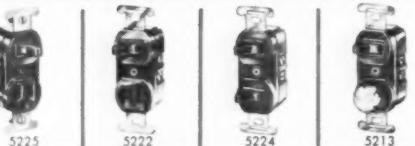
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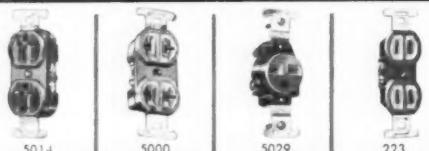
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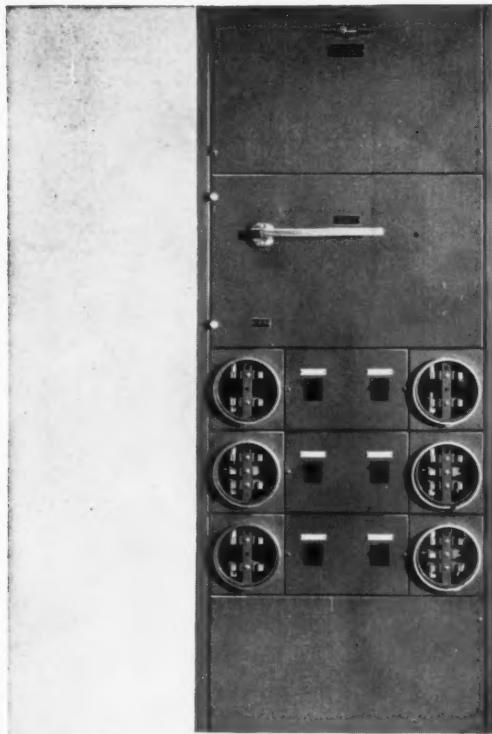
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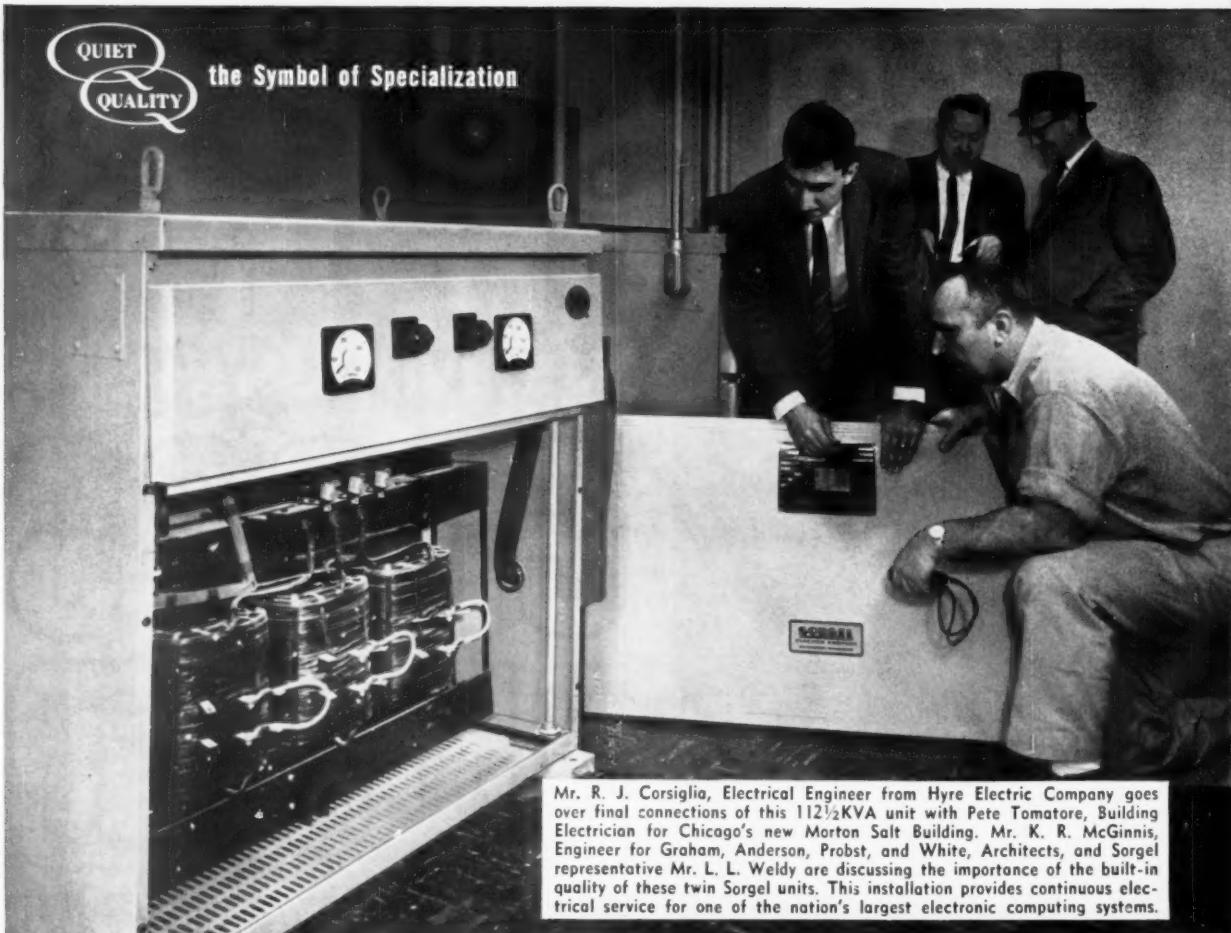
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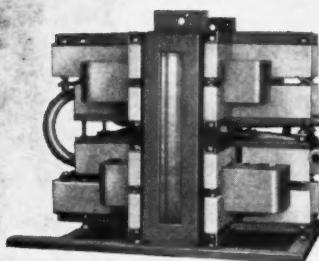
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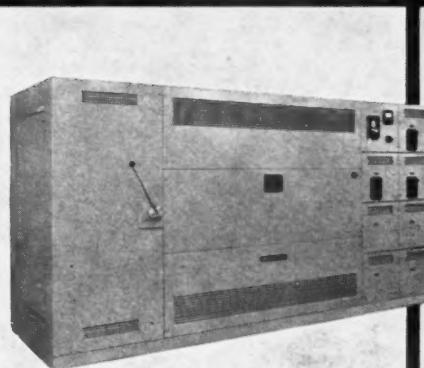
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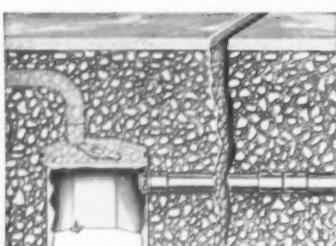
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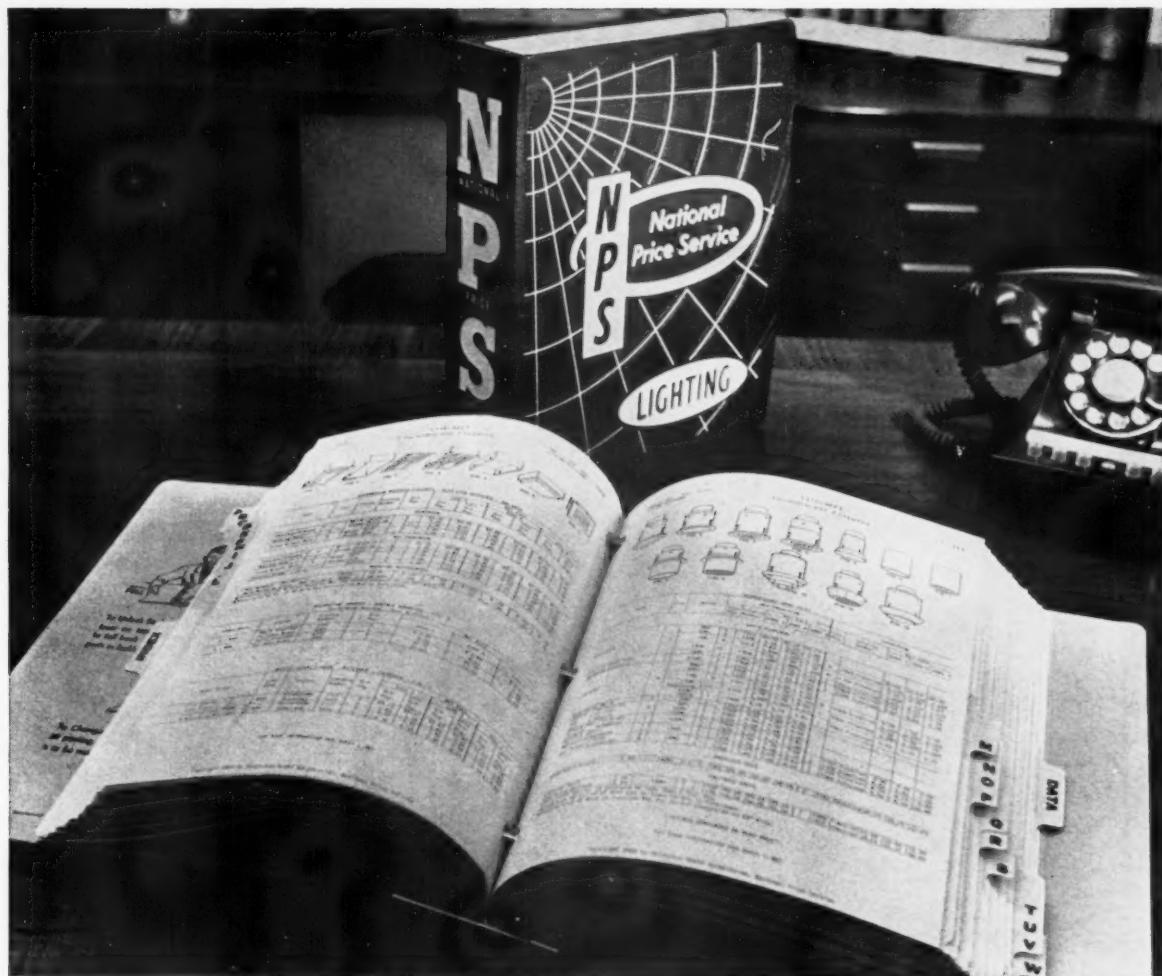
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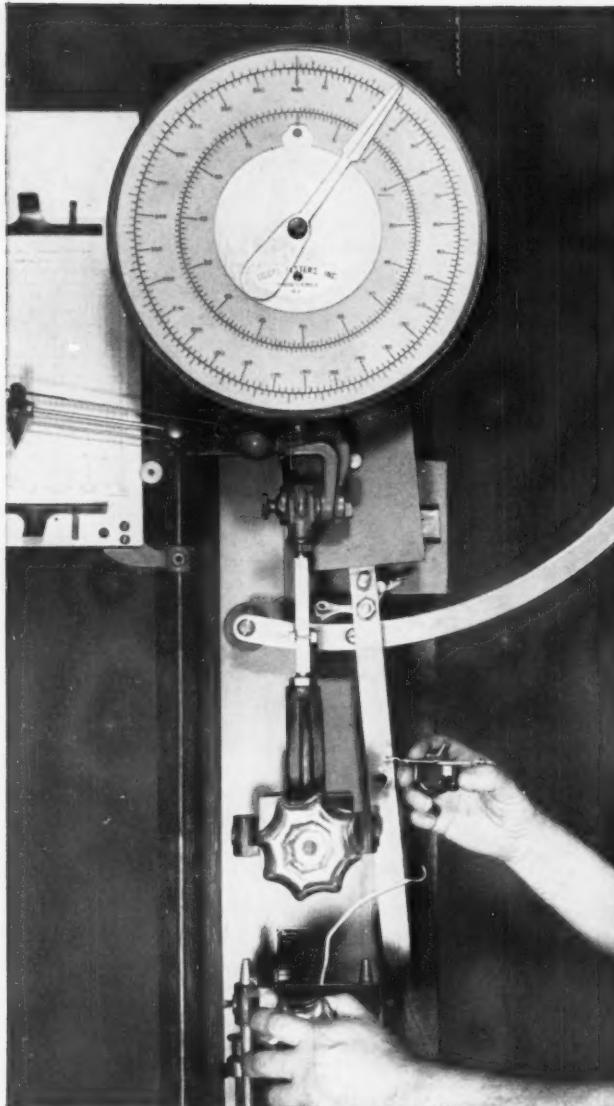
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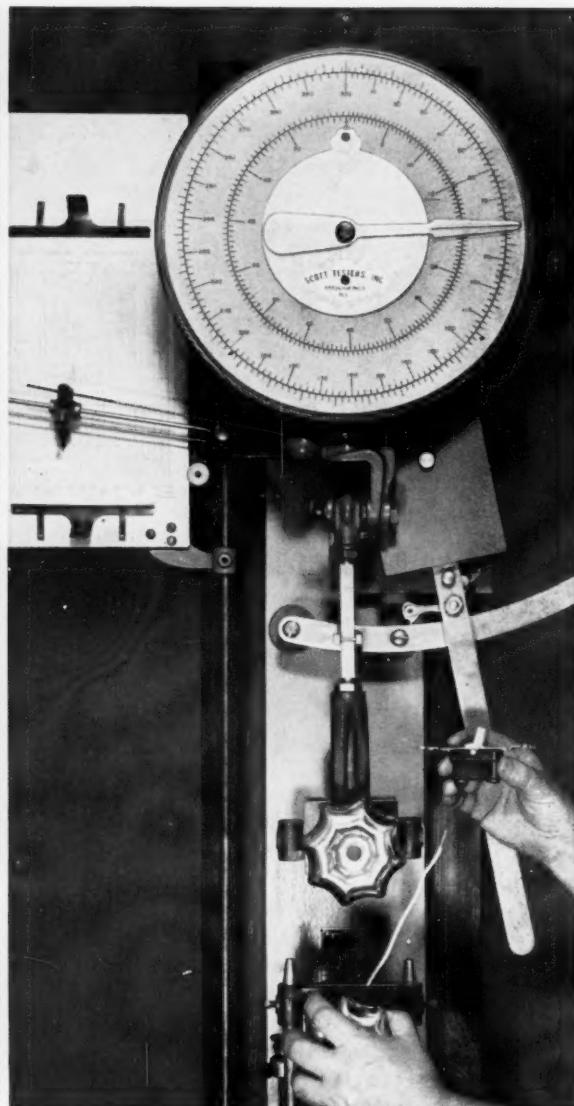
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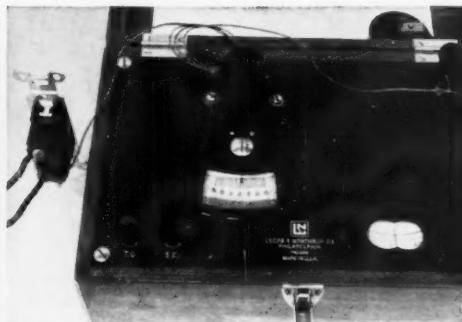
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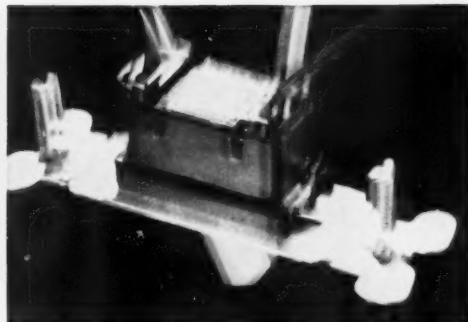
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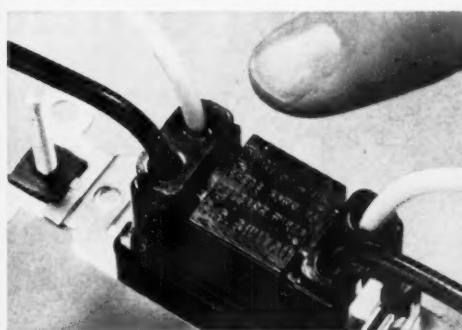
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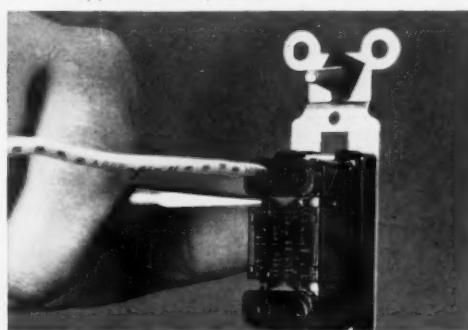
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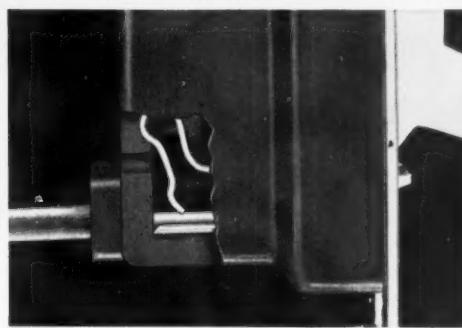
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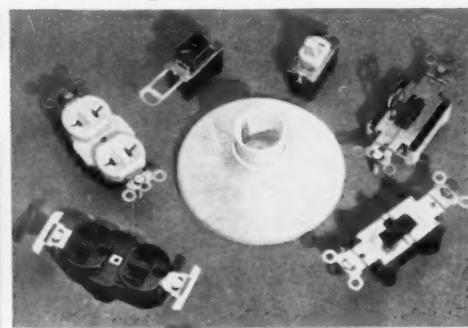
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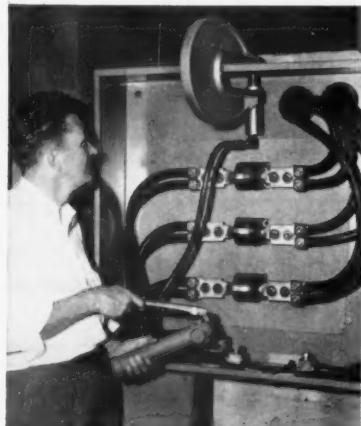
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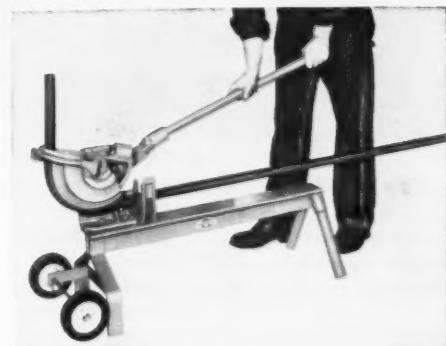


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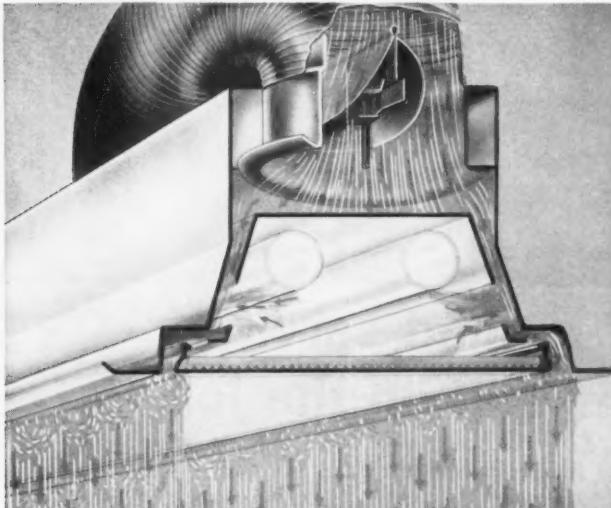
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Name of Installation.....	Riverside Plaza Building, Chicago	Average Lighting Level (Measured).....	70 Footcandles
Size of Installation.....	26 Floors (536,000 sq. ft.)	Air handled by each unit.....	Interior units—72 CFM Perimeter units—80 CFM
Number of Sylva-Flo units....	Over 10,000	Architect-Engineer.....	Graham, Anderson, Probst & White, Chicago
Function of Sylva-Flo Troffers.	Lighting, Cooling, Temperate Heating	Architect.....	William Heinkel
Ceiling Type.....	Metal Pan Acoustical	Mechanical Engineer.....	John Maras
Ceiling Height.....	8' 0"	Electrical Engineer.....	K. R. McGinnis
Lamps per Troffer.....	Two 40-watt Rapid Start, Cool White	General Contractor.....	Sherman Olson Inc., Chicago
Shielding .....	Skytex Glass	Electrical Contractor.....	Hyre Electric Co., Chicago
Troffer Spacing .....	7' 0"	Mechanical Contractor.....	O. A. Wendt, Chicago
Number of "Supply" Troffers..	{ Ratio is approximately one "Supply" to one "Return."		

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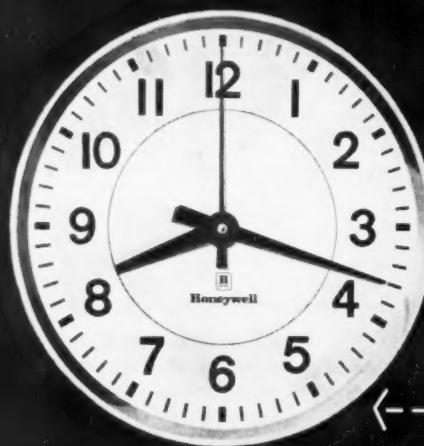
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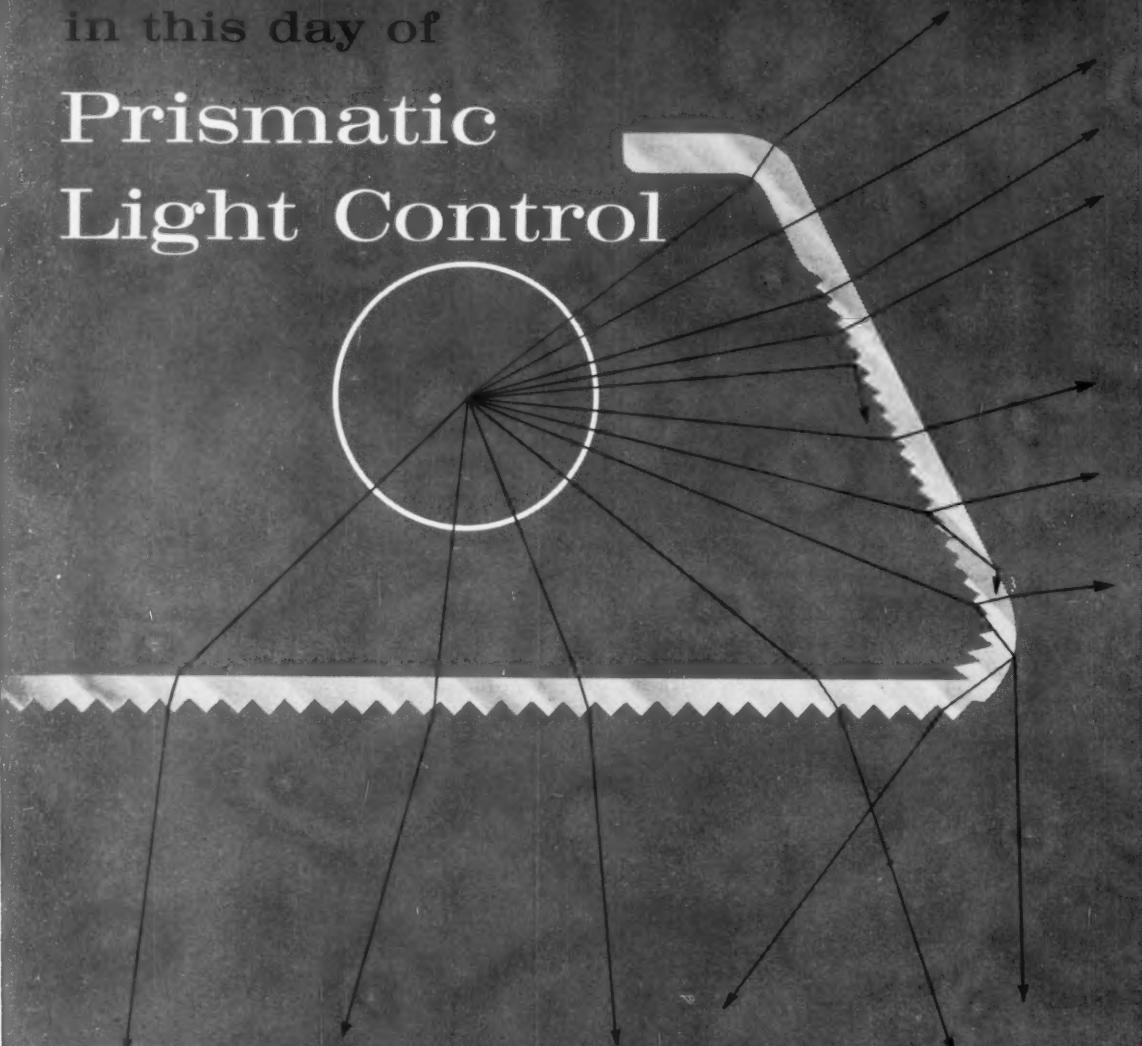


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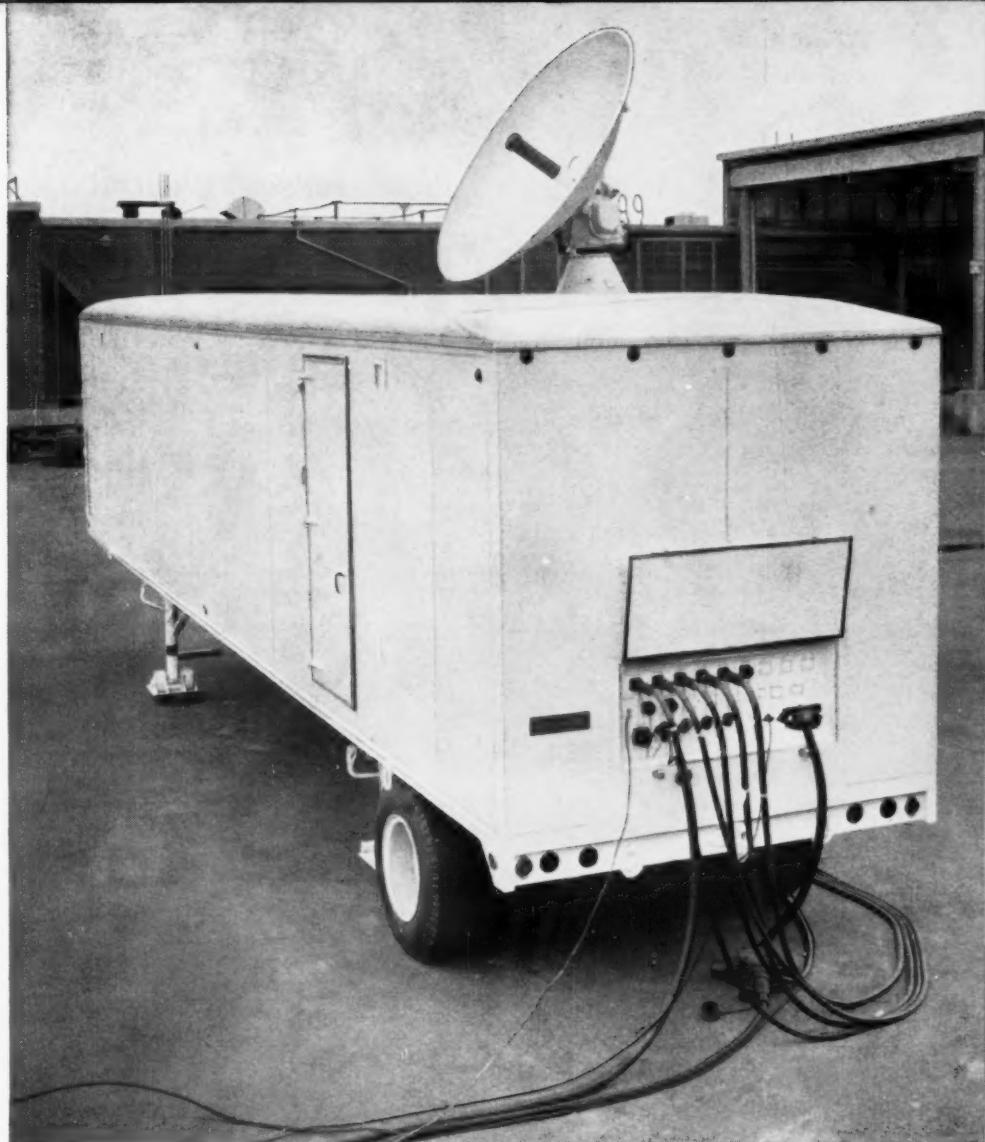
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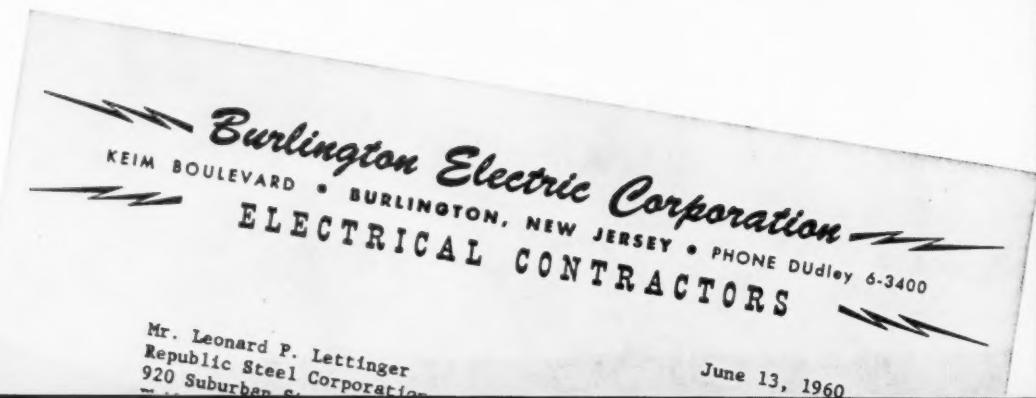
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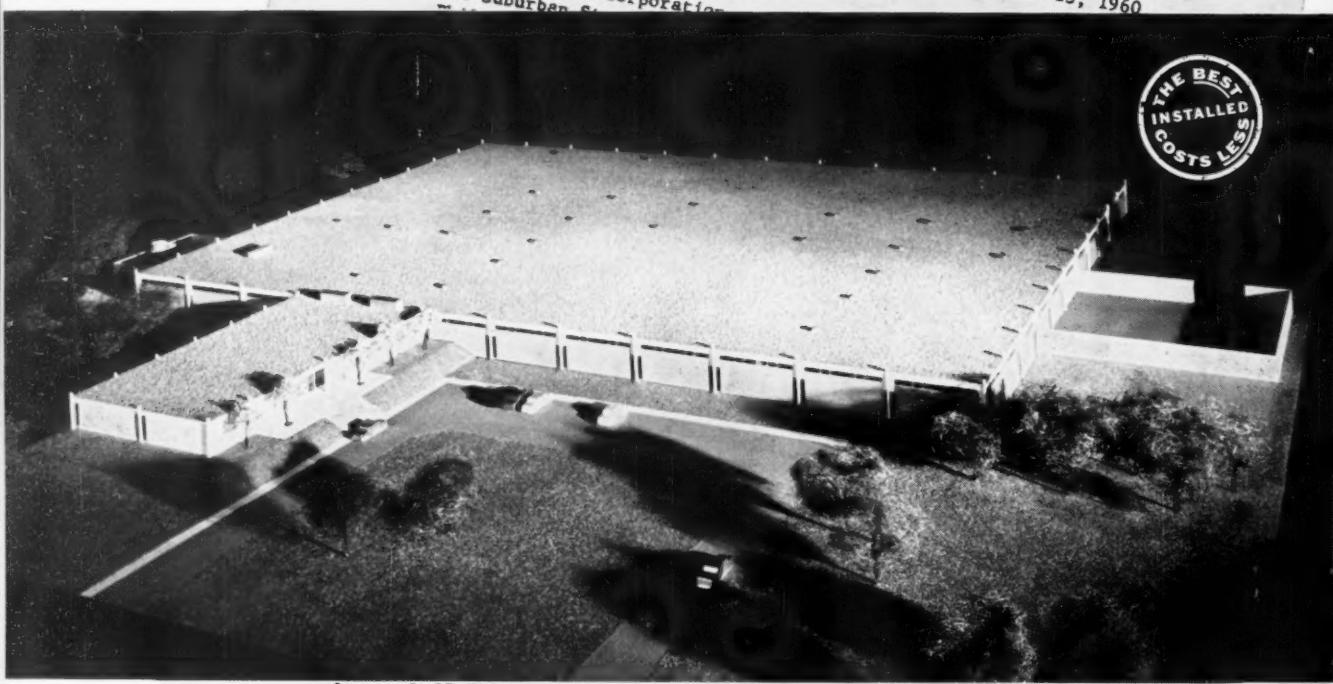
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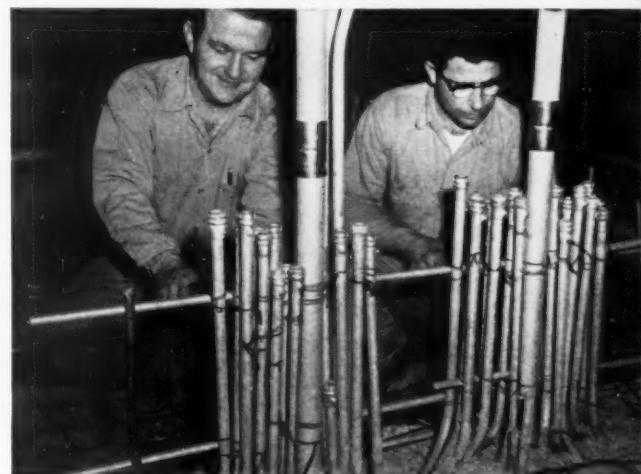
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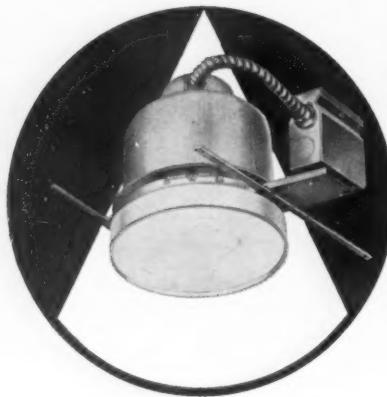
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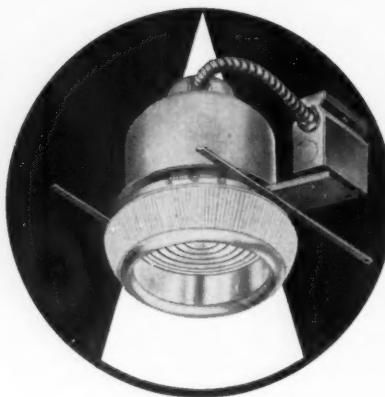
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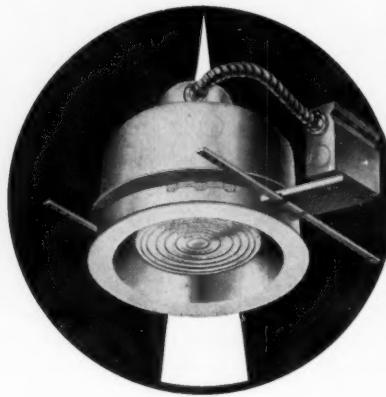
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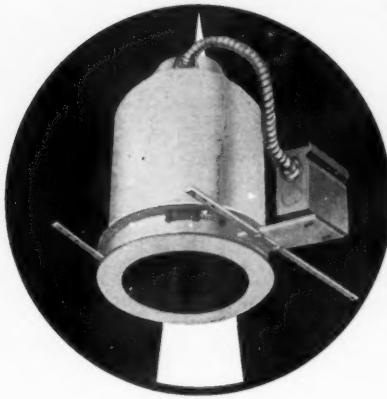
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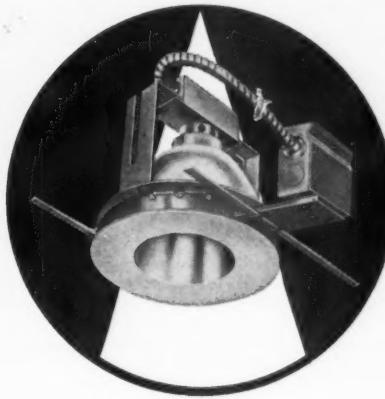
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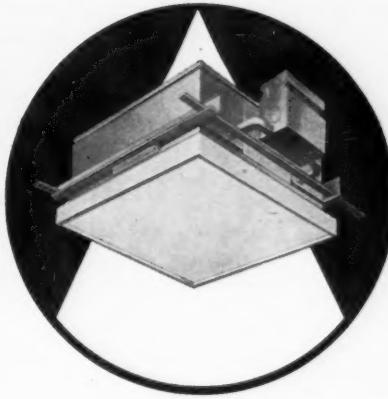
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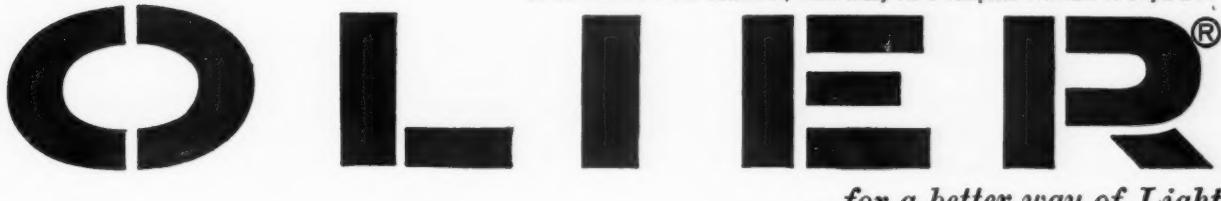


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## *Identical Prices*

**Identical bids to government agencies** on stock electrical products are under attack. The bidder is threatened with investigation. His legal and moral integrity is questioned. This might be dismissed as concerning few of the readers of this page, but the net effect could be to dry up vital price information essential to the orderly conduct of daily business in this electrical industry.

**The problem arises from a conflict** between government purchasing practice based upon sealed bids, preferably different, and industry practice of selling stock products on the basis of open price lists, broadcast to tens of thousands of customers, spelling out every detail of price and terms. Such "book" prices are usually identical to the last decimal for competing products as a result of normal competitive pressures in the open market. Even when "confidential" discounts are offered the effect is the same as suppliers quickly equalize their competitive positions.

**Book price systems** are an essential modern business control and communication mechanism. They convey exact price information through the sales organization. They establish discounts, terms and weighting factors for quantity, customer classification and other special consideration. They attempt to cover all probable sales negotiations involving catalogued products in a systematic and predictable pattern.

**Since comprehensive and detailed price information** is readily available to all concerned, the prices of competing products inexorably seek uniformity. No supplier can remain aloof because his customers will soon beat him into line if his price is high, and his competitors will quickly match his lead if his price is low. The forces of open competition thus compel prices to converge toward a standoff where they tend to stabilize.

**There seems to be a belief current in government agencies** that competition is expressed only by price differences. In much of our economy price differences play a minor and often negligible role. When prices are equal, as they very often are, all the vast resources of modern sales management come into play. Suppliers compete for customer preference with advertising and sales promotion, with skilled sales forces and tactics, with customer services, with product features and innovations. The forces driving prices to a standoff are only a small aspect of the total competitive battle.

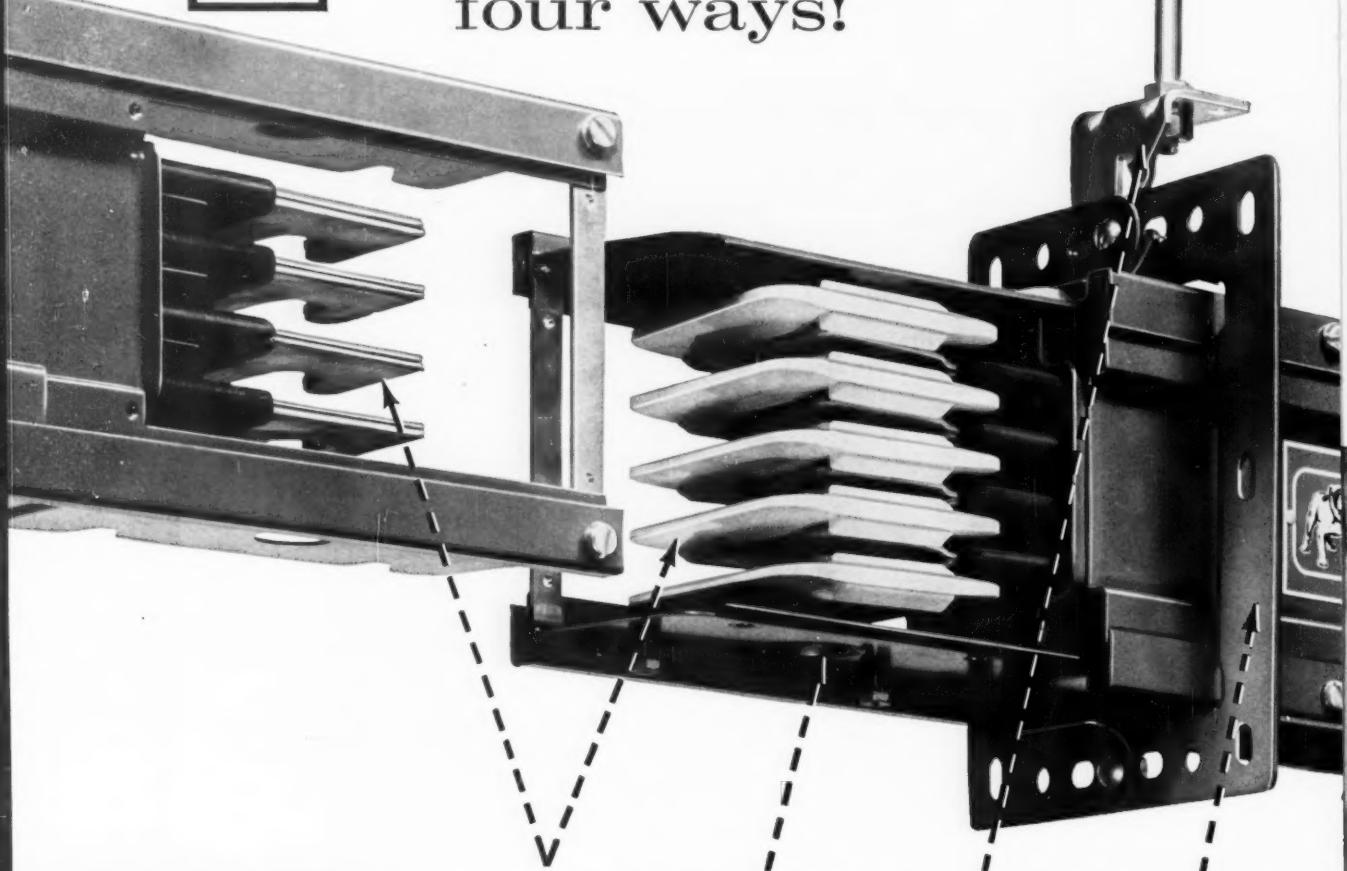
**It is to be hoped** that out of the present discussion about identical bids a better understanding of the phenomena will come through. It is not at all clear what mechanism, of procedure or law, can be expected to encourage competitors to offer differing prices on stock products on which all price information is common knowledge. Until one is discovered, it is most unfair to cast suspicion on those who are exercising their best business judgment in compliance with the law. To suppress price information as a device to induce random differences would be capricious mischief.

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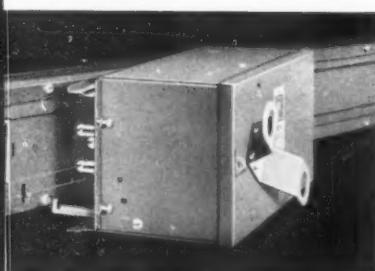
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# Electrical Power Backup

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By Berlon C. Cooper

LECTRIC power reliability is an absolute necessity and requirement in the launching of missiles and space rockets. At each and every stage of prelaunch testing and checkout, from the arrival of the "bird" at the pad to the final "3-2-1-ZERO" of the countdown, electric power must be continuously available, for a wide range of uses. During the countdown, electric power interruption cannot be permitted even for an instant. And following the launch, electric power is just as important—for the operation of cameras, radio transmit-

ters and receivers, telemetry, instrumentation and communication.

It is from the Cape Canaveral Missile Test Annex that missiles and space vehicles are launched down the Atlantic Missile Range, part of the Air Force Missile Test Center operation at Patrick Air Force Base, Fla. Facilities at the Cape include launching areas with blockhouses, radio transmitter and receiver sites, telemetry receiver sites, radars, missile assembly buildings, guidance laboratories, liquid oxygen (LOX) plant, photo-

theodolite and camera sites, power supply buildings, fire stations, and miscellaneous support facilities.

More than 30 separate launching facilities are located on the Cape's 15,000 acres. Facilities at the Cape are presently divided into three main missile-launching areas. One area is for Atlas and Titan ICBM launching pads; another includes launch pads and facilities for medium-range missiles, such as the Air Force's Thor and Jupiter, the Army's Redstone, and the Navy's Polaris; and the third has launch pads for cruise-type missiles—



ATLAS missile is shown during launch from Pad 12, Cape Canaveral. At left is umbilical tower, and at right beyond missile is the blockhouse. Note electrical cable (umbilical) at top right of tower, which has been blasted free from missile.

Snark, Bomarc, Matador, and small experimental rockets. Launch facilities for other missiles—Minuteman, Centaur, Saturn—are under construction or have been completed recently.

Launching pads for cruise-type missiles and small experimental rockets are comparatively simple affairs. But launching facilities for flight testing of ballistic missiles are more complicated. The Atlas and Titan launching complexes are typical examples. For that reason, the electrical distribution systems and backup provisions for electrical power for typical Atlas and Titan launching complexes have been selected for discussion in this article, and to indicate the extent and complexity of electrical system design, construction and installation for missile launching facilities.

The Atlas is an Air Force surface-to-surface type ICBM, manufactured by Convair (Astronautics) Division of General Dynamics Corporation. The Titan is also an Air Force surface-to-surface type ICBM, produced by The Martin Company. Both Convair and Martin are prime missile contractors,

with field stations at the AFMTC for missile flight testing. Also Convair and Martin each maintain and operate four complete missile launching complexes at the Cape.

### Electric Power Supply

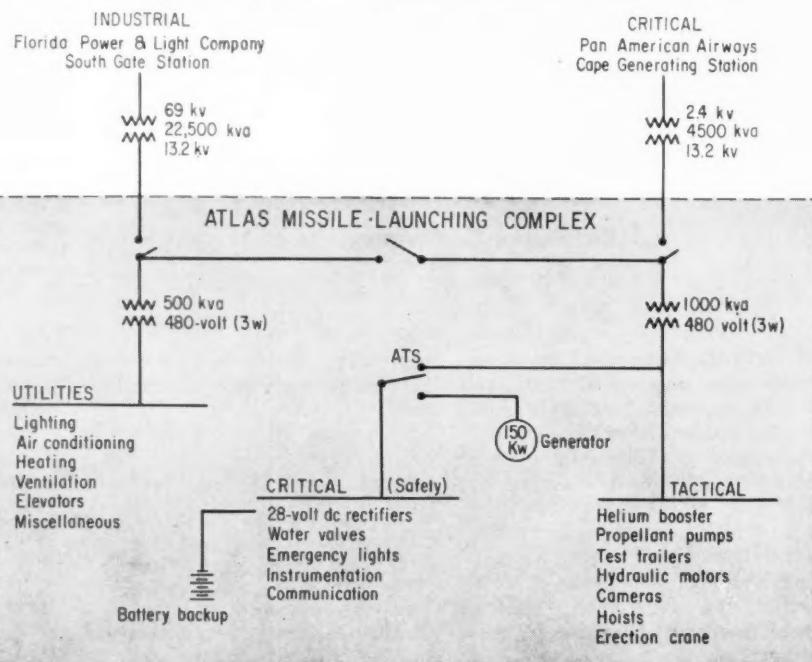
Industrial electric power is supplied to Cape Canaveral by the local electric utility company at 69 kv, and transformed to 13.2 kv for distribution to substations at each launching complex, or other large facility. This is used as the primary source of electric power. However, critical electric power is available from a Cape generating station, installed and operated by Pan American Airways, which operates and manages the entire Atlantic Missile Range under contract with the Air Force Missile Test Center. This critical electric power is generated at 2.4 kv, and transformed to 13.2 kv for distribution to the substations at each launching complex. At the individual substations, the 13.2 kv power is further transformed to 480 volts for distribution and use at each complex. This is illustrated in the single-line diagram which

shows the electric power supply for a typical Atlas launching complex, and in a similar diagram which shows electrical circuitry for a typical Titan launching complex. The 480-volt power at both Atlas and Titan complexes is further transformed to 120 volts for miscellaneous utility uses, to 28-volt dc power for controls, and to 400-cycle 208Y/120-volt power for tactical uses. Rectifiers are used to convert the 480-volt power to 28-volt dc power, and electric storage batteries are used as a backup for the 28-volt dc supply. The single-line wiring diagrams illustrate these conversions to utilization voltages and frequencies, and the feature of electrical backup used to insure continuity of electric power at all times.

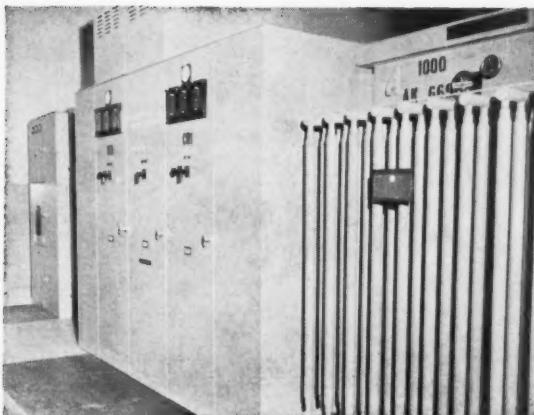
### Typical Launch Complex

An explanation of the building structures and supporting facilities which comprise a missile launch complex will facilitate the visualization of the amount of electrical construction work and electrical wiring required to make the launching complex operational. Typically,

### Electric Power Supply for Typical Atlas Launching Complex



**CONTINUITY** of electric service during pretest and final "countdown", preceding a missile launching, is assured through multiple sources of power supply as indicated in the above diagrammatic power-distribution diagram for a typical Convair launching complex.



**MAIN SUBSTATION** converts 13.2-kv power to 480-volt utilization voltage. 1000-kva transformer is at right. Center panel contains switch for hookup to "industrial" or "critical" supply, as desired or necessary.



**SWITCHGEAR** bank for 480-volt power distribution. This is typical standard equipment, and is used to supply power for standard utilities, as well as for critical and tactical power, control circuitry and instrumentation.



**MAIN DISTRIBUTION** board for 480-volt buses.



**EMERGENCY GENERATOR** is diesel-operated, supplies 150 kw at 480 volts as backup for the critical safing circuits.



**RECTIFIERS** operating on 480-volt system convert power to 28 volts dc, for control and ground supply systems.

a launch complex includes a blockhouse area and ready room, separated from a ramp and test stand area by about 750 ft. The blockhouse and test stand (or launching pad) are supported by a fuel storage area, water main, drainage canal, parking area for service tower, and camera road and pads.

Launching facilities for ICBMs include an umbilical tower and a service tower, or gantry, nearly eleven stories high. Service towers are usually mounted on rails, so that they may be positioned over the launch pads for servicing operations, or moved away to permit firing. Platforms at various levels enable crews to perform final checkout and servicing operations.

In the newer Titan launch pads, the service towers work on the erector principle. They are raised for prelaunch servicing operations and then lowered for the launch.

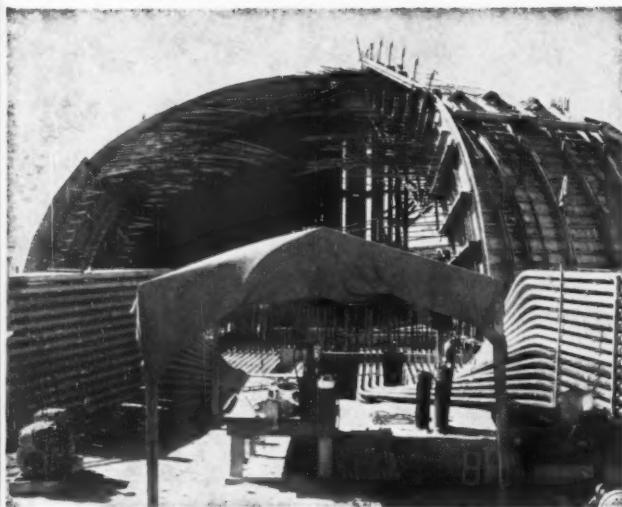
Supporting facilities, along with the service tower, provide a work tower, fuel, compressed gases, electrical power and coolant water.

The blockhouse is a steel-reinforced concrete building in which action is taken to launch the missiles. It is designed to withstand an explosion equivalent to 50,000 pounds of TNT at a distance of 50 ft. During a flight test, the blockhouse is occupied by personnel of the missile contractor for the missile being launched—Convair for the Atlas, Martin for the Titan, etc.

### The Countdown

Electric power and electric instrumentation is at the very heart of the testing of complex missiles. It permits exhaustive minute-by-minute data on each firing. Scores of valves and electrical connections and instruments, tanks, lines and hoses are checked, one by one. Then, when the critical individual parts have been okayed, the testing turns to subsystems, then to entire systems. This is done from the blockhouse, by a "test conductor" and a group of panel operators.

As the testing proceeds, the huge service tower that surrounds the missile is rolled back, or lowered if of the erector type, to its transfer table, then rolled on railroad tracks

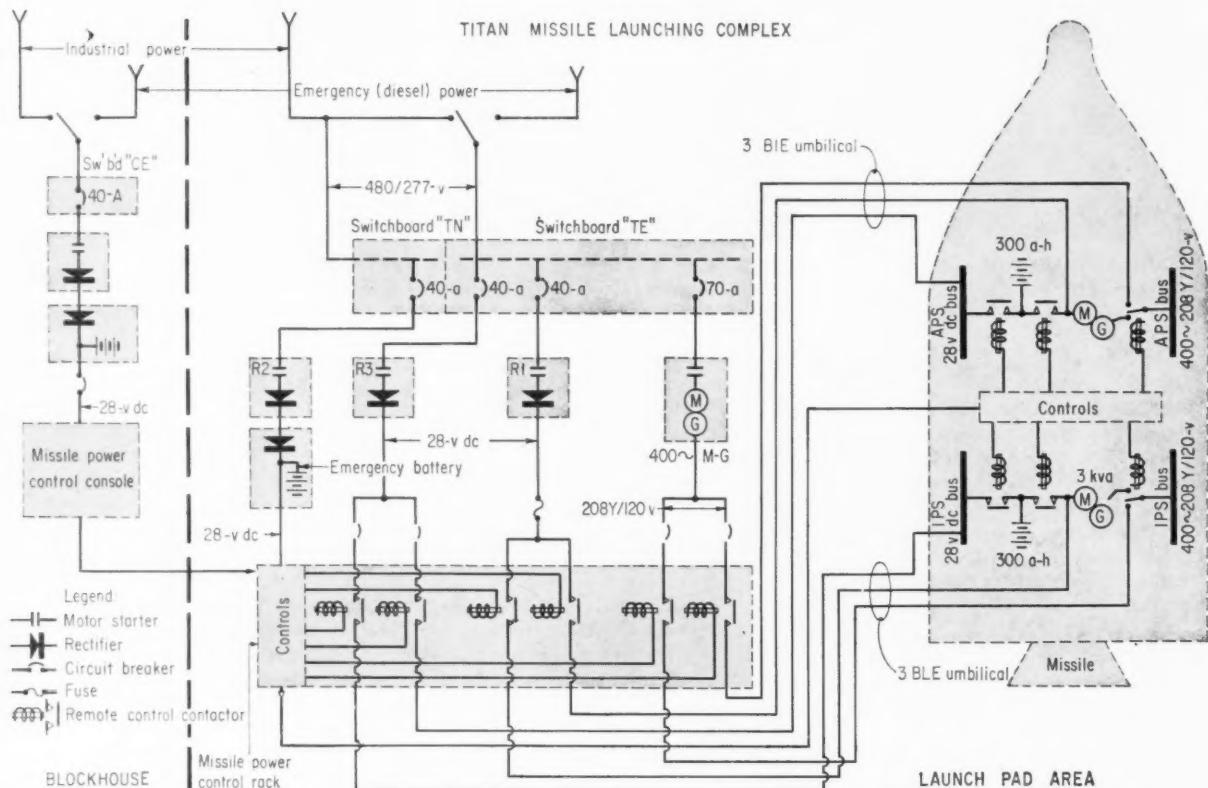


**TWO BANKS** of conduit extend from the blockhouse to the launching pad at each launching complex, as shown in this view made during construction. Distance from blockhouse to pad is usually about 750 ft. Conduit runs and other services are later enclosed in concrete, to form a surface "tunnel" for protection.



**TITAN** missile is shown being launched from Pad 16, with blockhouse in left foreground. Surface "tunnel" which connects blockhouse and pad can be seen over blockhouse at right. The tunnel houses the mass quantities of control and instrumentation wiring, which connects the blockhouse consoles with the missiles and launch pad electrical equipment.

### Electrical Circuitry for Typical Titan Launching Complex



**FLOW** of electric power from industrial or emergency power supply buses to missile is shown by this single-line schematic wiring diagram. Basic power supply to blockhouse and launching pad switchboards is 480/277-volt, 3-phase, 4-wire.

Rectifiers and M-G sets convert this power to 28-volt dc for controls, and to 400-cycle 208Y/120 volts for power uses. Emergency batteries are used for 28-volt dc backup as indicated.

to an area about 800 ft from the missile, and the area around the launching pad is cleared of personnel. From this point on to final lift-off, the missile is fueled and all further checks are made entirely by remote control from the blockhouse. At two minutes before firing, all missile electrical circuits are switched to internal power sources. As the countdown continues, checking of every item continues—missile power, AMR telemetry, propulsion, water flow to full, "range ready" light on, pressurization, fuel tanking, etc. When every panel light is on, indicating each major system is ready to go,

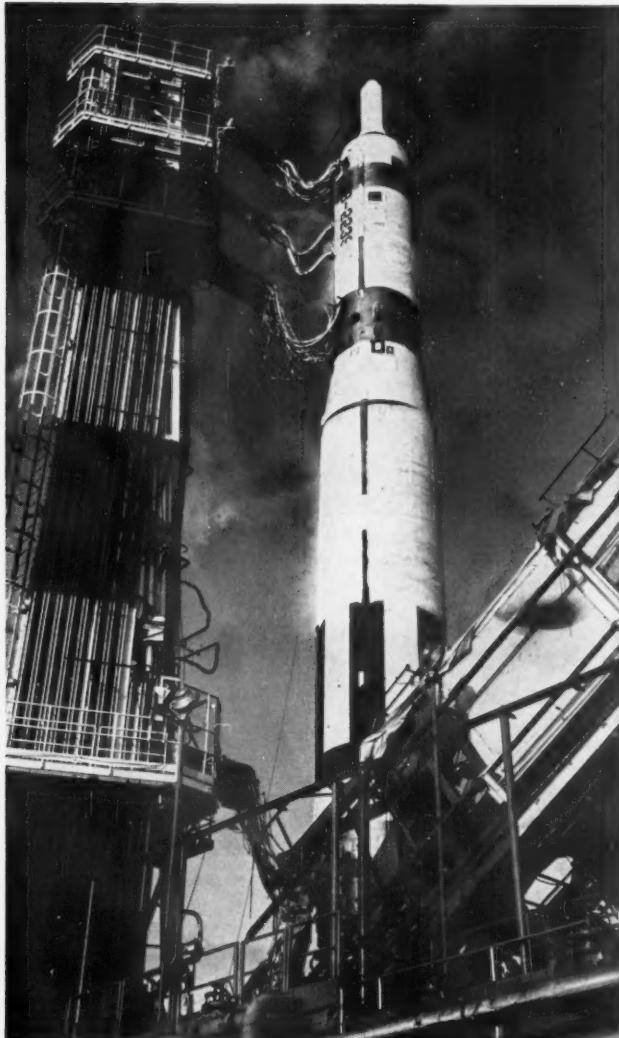
the test conductor pushes a button on his console, his last act necessary for launching the missile. For the next 18 seconds an automatic sequencer does all the work. Only if something goes wrong during this period will there be human action now—action to stop the test.

During the last 15 seconds, waterflow over the flame bucket reaches its full force of 35,000 gallons per minute, automatic cameras begin operating, small vernier engines on the side of the missile are ignited, rocket engines roar to life belching great streams of flame, arms holding the missile on the

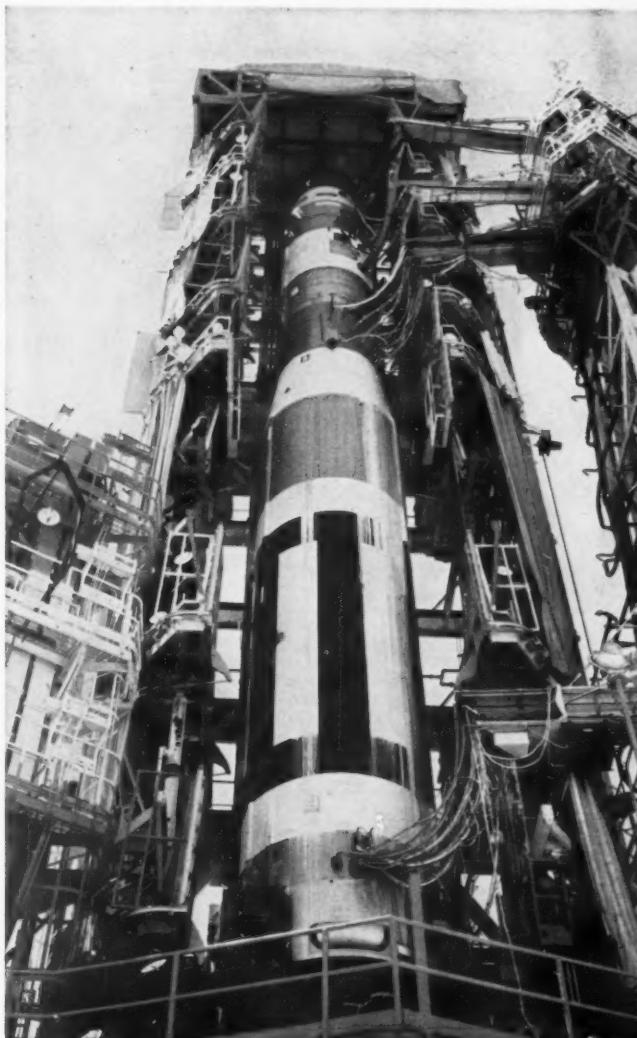
launching pad fly back, and the "lift-off" begins! The missile goes straight up, its tail of flame beating down on the launching pad, and it begins to accelerate rapidly.

#### Controls and Instrumentation

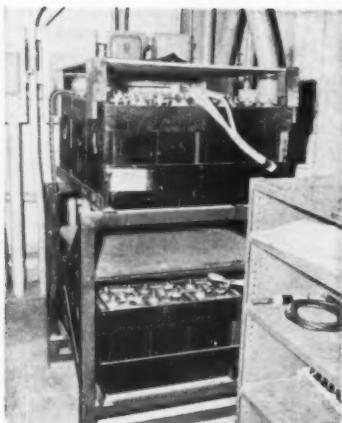
Electric power and complicated electrical circuitry has played a mighty part in this missile launching. Some idea of the amount of electrical work involved on a typical launching complex can be had from the following list of material used on each complex: 650 multi-conductor cables ranging from 5 ft to 1200 ft in length; 5,000 ft of



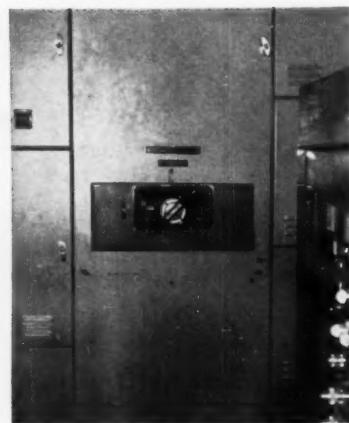
**ERECTOR TOWER** is removed from missile by swinging the top back while the base remains fixed in place. Note umbilical cables connected to free-standing missile, ready for instrumentation and checking during final countdown.



**ERECTOR TOWER** surrounds static Titan missile on Pad 19 during preliminary testing and preparation for launching. Note maze of cables between umbilical tower (right) and missile.



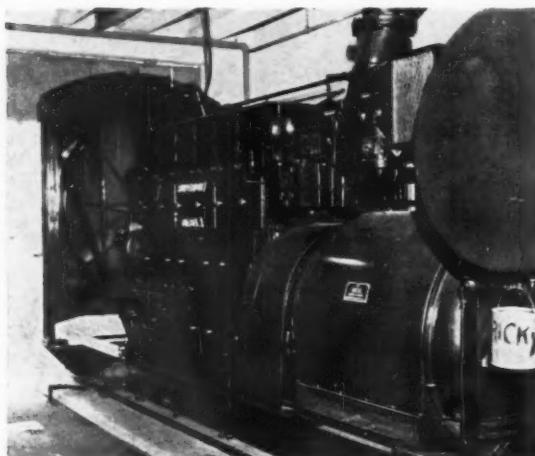
**BACKUP** for rectifiers is a bank of nickel-cadmium batteries, supplying 28 volts dc. Switchover from rectifiers to batteries is automatic, in case of rectifier outage.



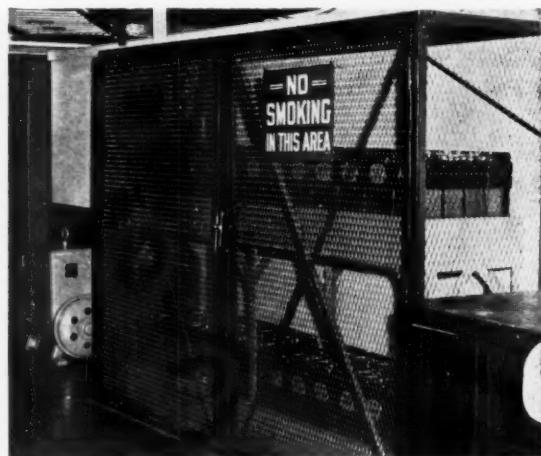
**SWITCHOVER** from industrial to emergency power is accomplished by this automatic transfer switch.



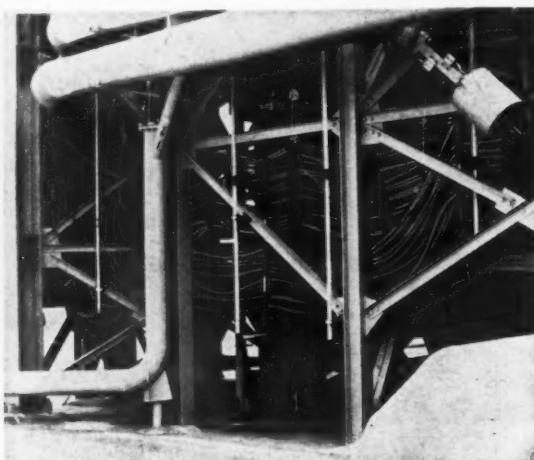
**RECTIFIERS** and emergency battery located in upper equipment room, beneath the Titan launch stand, provide 28 volts dc and power backup to control rack.



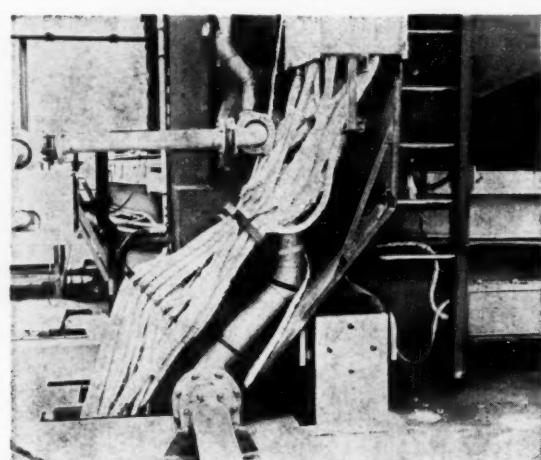
**EMERGENCY POWER** at 480/277 volts is supplied by a diesel-operated generator, installed in Titan blockhouse.



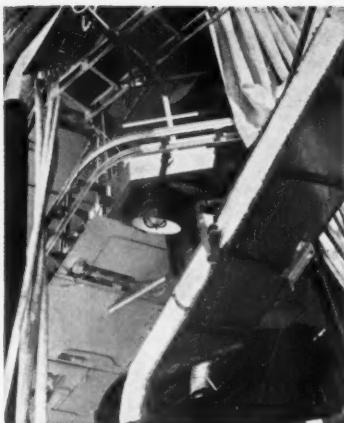
**POWER** for emergency lighting is supplied by a battery backup, located in blockhouse, and supplying 120 volts dc.



**MAZE OF CABLES** shown here are located beneath the Titan launch stand, and feed up the umbilical tower.



**POWER CABLES** at base of erector tower supply power to erector motors and to other equipment.



**UMBILICAL CABLES** shown here are located at sixth and seventh levels of umbilical tower, viewed from erector tower. These cables supply both 400-cycle and 28-volt dc power to the missile during preliminary testing and checking, and provide for control and instrumentation up to the point of final launching.



waveguide; 20,000 ft of coaxial cable; 18,000 soldered connections; 40,000 lugged terminations; 50 miles end-to-end cable; and 1,000 miles end-to-end wire.

In general, the electrical work required for motors, lighting, air conditioning, ventilation, elevators, and other miscellaneous utilities, in the blockhouse and ready-room building is conventional. Also, the wiring of motors, lighting, etc. at the launching pad follow standard electrical system design. The big wiring job is for controls and instrumentation. Power for conventional utility uses is at conventional voltages — 480 volts for large motors, 120 volts for small power requirements and lighting. Basic system for controls and instru-

mentation is 28 volts, same as the missile power source voltage. In the typical blockhouse there is a total of 40 consoles, each designed to control a separate function of the launching, and to provide complete instrumentation for that function. For example, propellants are handled 100% remotely. When a missile is fueled, there are literally hundreds of valves that must be controlled, all from the blockhouse control console.

On the test stand, all wiring and lighting is of the explosion-proof, hazardous-area type.

Umbilical cables are used to provide electrical power to the missile and to maintain controls and instrumentation from the beginning of a countdown until all circuits are

switched to internal power sources, two minutes before the point of launching. A dozen umbilical cables are used, with up to 140 wires in each cable. These cables, attached to the missile by huge connectors, are blown free from the missile by a nitrogen blast just before liftoff.

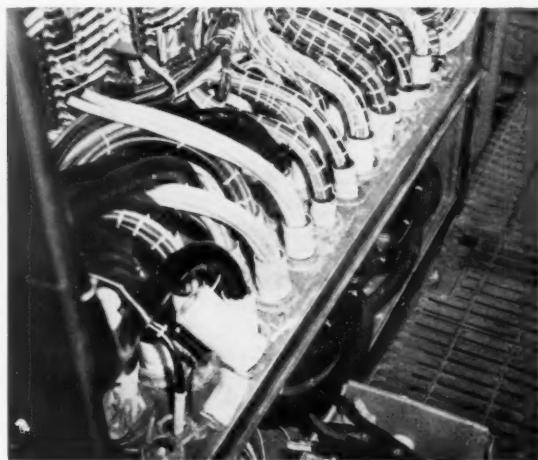
Umbilical cables on the umbilical tower are subjected to tremendous fire hazard as the missile eases up from the pad, with temperatures up to 5000°F. Experience has indicated that by wrapping the cables in asbestos tape, up to 75% of the cables can be saved. If part of a cable is destroyed by this heat, the entire cable has to be pulled out and replaced.

Knowledge gained at Cape Canaveral Missile Test Annex extends to electrical power requirements and electrical systems design for missile launching at operational bases. Electrical plans and specifications are prepared by the Corps of Engineers, in cooperation with individual missile contractors at Cape Canaveral, such as Convair and the Martin Company. This knowledge and experience, in turn, has been put to use in the design of the electrical systems for the approximately 330 silos which are now in an advanced stage of construction at operational missile bases located throughout the country.

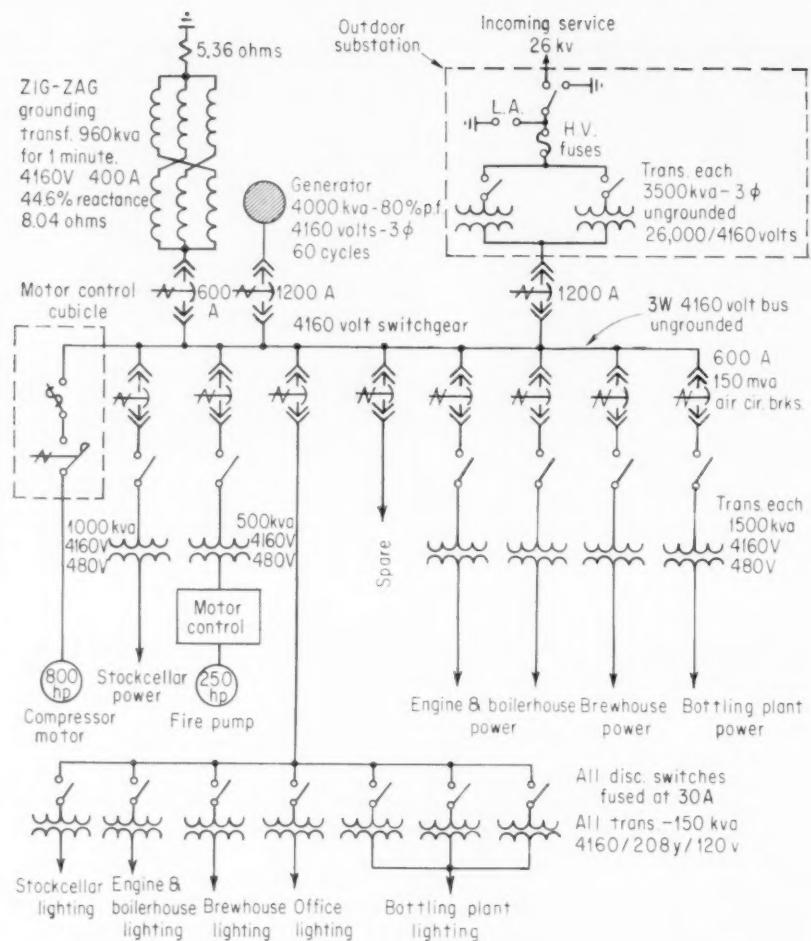
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**POWER CABLES** at fourth level of umbilical tower plug into missile for power requirements.



**JUNCTION BOX** located at fourth level of umbilical tower reveals the maze of wires and cables required.



# Electrical Maintenance By Contract

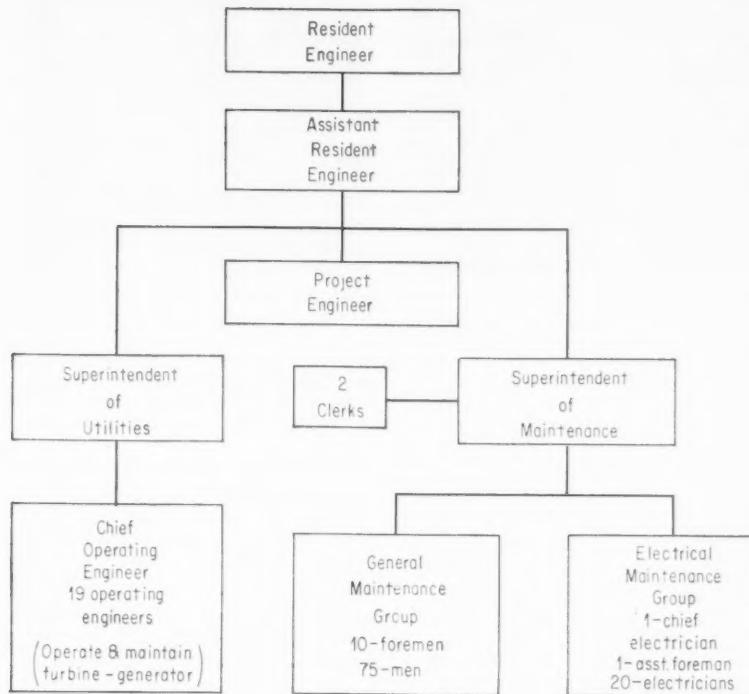
By Robert J. Lawrie

Third in a series of articles on current industrial electrical maintenance. Previous studies were: (1) Effective Large Plant Maintenance, April 1961 and (2) Effective Small Plant Maintenance, June 1961. The series covers operating procedures and work methods in typical industrial plants revealed through personal interviews with key plant personnel.

**I**N MANY instances industrial plants have realized that, like a good electrical preventive maintenance program, contract electrical maintenance will eventually pay off. Advantages gained include expert service resulting in less downtime, flexibility in size of work force, and a reduction in union and labor problems. And, at the Anheuser-Busch brewery in Newark, N. J., these advantages are evi-

dent in a notable application of electrical maintenance by contract.

Employing nearly 1000 workers, this multi-building brewery produces 1,800,000 barrels of Budweiser beer annually. Major process equipment includes highly automated conveyor systems; giant compressors powered by 4160-volt, 800-hp synchronous motors; various pumps driven by induction motors which range up to 200 hp;



**MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION** at the Anheuser-Busch brewery is headed by the resident engineer, who keeps a broad control over the system. The assistant resident engineer and the project engineer design new installations and assist in cost control. Under the superintendent of utilities, a chief engineer and 19 operating engineers operate and maintain the 4000-kva turbine generator. The superintendent of maintenance supervises a general maintenance group, who perform non-electrical maintenance; an electrical maintenance group; and 2 clerks who handle paper work. Working on contract, the electrical maintenance group consists of a chief electrician, who directs an assistant foreman and 20 fully qualified electricians.

**Many industries are finding out that bringing in outside contractors is the most effective and, in the long run, the most economical way to accomplish electrical maintenance. At the Anheuser-Busch brewery, Newark, N. J., 20 electricians, working on contract, provide expert maintenance for modern and highly advanced equipment.**

and other types of associated process apparatus.

To power this equipment, a 4000-kva steam-turbine generator provides 4160 volts in a primary network to major buildings. An outdoor substation, equipped with two 3500-kva, oil-filled transformers, supplies additional power at 4160 volts. Fed at 26 kv, the substation transformers can be energized separately or in parallel.

Many areas require special protective equipment. Because of the presence of grain dust in certain areas, much of the installed equipment is dust-ignition proof. And because of the extensive use of water, practically all other areas require watertight equipment.

The following personal interview with Robert R. Hahn, the assistant resident engineer, and Leo Knoller, chief electrician, reveals the "hows"

and "whys" of the firm's electrical maintenance program and detailed information on the electrical maintenance procedures.

#### How is your maintenance department organized?

We have a central maintenance organization headed by the resident engineer. He keeps a broad control over the entire system and has the final authority pertaining to maintenance department policies. Directly under him are the assistant resident engineer and the project engineer, who are responsible for new equipment selection and installation design and also assist in cost control. Next are the superintendent of utilities, who is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the 4000-kva steam-turbine generator, and the superintendent of maintenance, who is responsible for maintenance of process equipment and buildings.

Under the superintendent of utilities, a chief operating engineer directs a crew of operating engineers, who operate and maintain the turbine generator. The superintendent of maintenance supervises the general maintenance group (who perform all non-electrical work) and the electrical maintenance group. Headed by a chief electrician, the electrical maintenance group consists of one assistant foreman and 20 outside electricians on contract. In addition, the maintenance department employs two clerks to handle job orders, requisitions and preventive maintenance records.

#### What factors lead to your decision to set up a separate electrical maintenance force of 20 outside electricians on contract?

The most important factor is that it is an established Anheuser-Busch policy that only the best in men, material and methods be employed. We believe that striving for the best in every possible manner will result in a better product for our consumers. Therefore, after the maintenance department had justified the need for expert electrical maintenance, it was decided that electrical maintenance should be performed by a separate group made up of qualified electricians. We feel that trained electricians are best qualified to do the job.

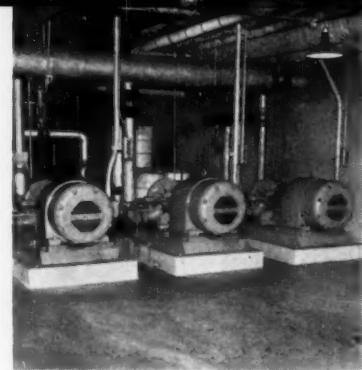
In addition, we have much specialized equipment which justifies the need for expert electrical main-



**AT THE MOTOR REPAIR BENCH** electricians troubleshoot motors, make repairs and functional tests. Experienced in motor repair, these electricians can analyze trouble and make repairs rapidly. At top left corner of photo is a combination ground detector-fault locator.



**RELAY PANEL** receives thorough inspection every three weeks. Each contact on every relay is checked and its condition recorded on sheets that list each relay. These sheets not only provide checklists for the inspector but also indicate repetitive trouble spots.



**INDUCTION MOTORS**, each rated 30-hp 480 volts, drive centrifugal pumps. Every three weeks, electricians clean motors, check for overtemperature and any unusual conditions. After the inspection, condition of each motor is recorded in a special card file.

tenance. In grain elevators and in other process areas where grain dust is a hazard, there are many installations of dust-ignition proof equipment. Also, practically all areas are subject to large amounts of water and high humidity. This presents additional problems and hazards to an electrical maintenance man. And, besides the heavy processing equipment, we have several completely automated, high-production conveyor systems, which require extensive electrical preventive maintenance.

**Don't you find that employing 20 electricians is an expensive luxury?**

No, not under our present program. We have an agreement with a local contractor to supply us with as many men as we may need. Usually, we have about 20 men to handle the normal work load. The number of men required has varied from time to time; however, the nucleus of the crew has been with us since we started operations.

We think we're getting our money's worth because: (1) we get top-notch service from experts who, over the period of years, have become familiar with our electrical design, installation and maintenance problems; (2) we can reduce or increase the size of the work force easily; (3) union and labor relations problems are reduced; (4) the contractor has done all of our major electrical construction; (5) this system has been in use here for many years and although you might say contract maintenance is still on trial, we have not seen any reason to change.

**What kind of power distribution and equipment do you have?**

A 4000-kva, steam-turbine gener-

ator supplies 4160 volts for primary distribution to major buildings. For additional or auxiliary power, the utility company brings 26 kv to our outdoor substation. Here, two 3500-kva, oil-filled transformers step down this high voltage to 4160 volts for primary distribution. Both power supplies, connected in parallel, feed metalclad 4160-volt switchgear, which is located in the engine and boilerhouse nearby. From here, feeders extend via drawout air circuit breakers to unit substations, which are located in major buildings. Each substation supplies 480 volts, 3-phase, ungrounded, through fused switches or air circuit breakers to the various loads.

Lighting circuits are kept separate from power circuits. From the 4160-volt switchgear, lighting feeders extend to seven 150-kva transformers which are strategically located in major buildings. These transformers provide 208Y/120 volts for incandescent and fluorescent lighting.

Fault-locating equipment and ground detectors assist us in finding a ground fault which may occur on our ungrounded 480-volt distribution system. On the 4160-volt, delta-connected primary system, a grounding transformer establishes a neutral ground, which provides us with the advantages of a grounded system.

**How is system grounding, through this grounding transformer, an advantage to you?**

Grounded electrical systems are easier to maintain than ungrounded systems. Disadvantages of ungrounded systems include: (1) Ground faults are more difficult to locate. (2) During ground fault conditions, over-voltages appear on

other phases which may cause a second fault before the first is removed. If this happens, locating these faults is extremely difficult. (3) In addition, a small current ranging from a few amperes to possibly 30 amps will flow through the capacitance of cables, transformers, etc., during fault conditions. If this current is not removed it may, in time, cause considerable damage.

The zigzag grounding transformer with the series resistance eliminates these problems. Advantages gained include: (1) immediate knowledge of a ground fault and its general location is indicated because the appropriate circuit breaker will trip; (2) overvoltages due to faults cannot occur, which eliminates over-voltage stress on insulation and results in longer insulation life; (3) because this type of grounding reduces short-circuit current, less damage occurs due to the burning and melting effects of a high fault current.

**Do you have an electrical preventive maintenance (EPM) program?**

Yes. Routine inspections are carried out during the day. More detailed inspection and repairs are accomplished on night shifts or week ends. We maintain a close control over the electrical PM. All electrical equipment is listed in a card file and we have a scheduled PM for all apparatus. From these and from the daily log book, we can schedule the day's EPM inspection and other work. Every three weeks, we make a thorough visual inspection of all electrical controls, motors and process equipment.

**What kind of records do you keep?**

When an EPM inspection is com-



**MINIATURE PHOTO-ELECTRIC EYE** counts bottles of beer as they pass on conveyor (see arrows). If a bottle tips over, conveyor will automatically stop. When testing the photo-electric eye and related components, electricians take voltage, hydrometer and temperature readings weekly.

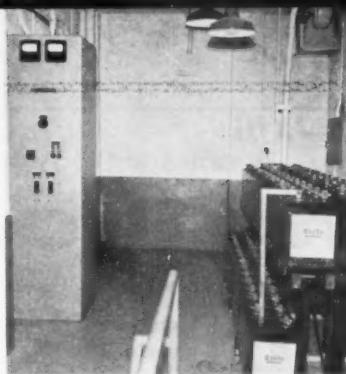
plete, the electrician will note the results in the daily log book. We then mark the inspection complete in the equipment card file or, if repairs are needed, we will schedule a thorough examination of the equipment.

In our bottling plant, miles of automatic motorized conveyors plus other automated equipment require hundreds of relays, limit switches and other controls. We have very little trouble with this equipment because of intensive electrical PM. Every three to four weeks, each contact on every relay and switch is checked and its condition recorded on special graph-paper sheets. There is a separate sheet for each conveyor system with each relay or switch listed across the top. Down the side, the inspecting electrician will sign his name. During the inspection, he will mark the condition of each relay in the proper square. This not only provides a check list for the inspector, but also will indicate repetitive trouble spots.

We have a card file which lists all electrical equipment including motor information, EPM inspection results and other pertinent information.

#### **What EPM do you perform on the outdoor substation?**

Once a month two electricians make a visual inspection looking for cracked bushings, oil leaks, and any accumulation of dirt. If an urgent discrepancy appears, we'll deenergize the station for repairs. Each year before winter, a crew of electricians make a thorough inspection of the station. They will tighten all connections, thoroughly clean all equipment and take oil samples from the transformers. These oil samples are checked for



**STORAGE BATTERIES** provide auxiliary 125 volts for 4160-volt circuit breakers. At proper intervals, charging panel will automatically supply charging current (1/2 amp at 129 volts). Electricians take voltage, hydrometer and temperature readings weekly.

sludging and sent out for dielectric tests.

#### **What electrical PM do you perform on feeders and disconnect switches?**

Feeders receive an insulation-resistance test annually. Insulation-resistance readings are excellent indicators of conductor insulation condition. However, because of vast amounts of water used in most of our processes, a high-humidity level prevails. This high humidity will cause many different resistance readings. Because of this we don't keep insulation-resistance records.

Switches are inspected periodically. During this inspection, the electrician will clean out any dirt and look for loose connections or burned spots. During overhaul periods, all switches are completely checked. The electricians will inspect the fuses and fuse clips for corrosion, tighten all parts and thoroughly clean the switch.

#### **Do dust-ignition proof and watertight equipment require special EPM?**

This equipment also receives a visual inspection. We will not open pushbuttons or panels that have bolted gasketed covers because we might damage the seals. On our annual overhaul, we check gaskets and examine the interiors of this equipment.

#### **Describe a typical motor inspection procedure.**

First, we make sure that the motor and surrounding area is clean. Next, if the motor is running, the electrician will check the motor temperature by placing his hand on the motor frame. If he can keep his hand on the motor, he assumes that the motor tempera-

ture is normal. He'll also use his sense of smell to detect possible overheated or burning insulation. If the motor appears overheated, the electrician will take an ammeter reading, or consider bearing trouble. If bearing trouble is suspected, he will place one end of a metal rod (1/2 in. dia. by 3 ft) on the bearing housing. The other end is held against his ear. If a thumping sound is heard, it indicates a flattened spot on the bearing; if a grinding sound is heard, it indicates lack of lubrication.

#### **How often do you lubricate motors?**

We follow the manufacturer's recommendations to the letter. In general, motors that run continuously receive lubrication every six months. All motors receive lubrication annually, if required. For motor lubrication, the use of the correct weight lubricant is of paramount importance. Before lubricating a motor, the electrician will check the equipment card to obtain lubrication data and instructions.

#### **What spare parts do you keep?**

The spare parts list includes several hundred different items. The purchasing department and stock clerks keep records of a minimum-maximum level of all spare parts. If a part is not used during a 12-month period, it is dropped from the active file unless it is an important part that must be immediately available to insure rapid replacement in case of a failure.

In our spare motor pool, there is a duplicate for practically every type of motor. A special card file notes the location, type and condition of each motor.

In each building, an electrical spare-parts locker contains certain parts such as fuses, overload relays, contacts and other parts that may require frequent replacement.

#### **Do you have an electrical safety program?**

We stress the use of electrically-safe equipment. For example, electricians are not allowed to use metal-cased flashlights or metal ladders. And all wooden ladders must be thoroughly varnished to preclude moisture. Safety equipment such as high-voltage gloves and voltage testers must always be used and checked regularly. And we spot-check the men to be sure that they use proper flag-and-tag rules when working on electrical circuits.

# **Estimating Productivity of Mechanics**

## **Part III—Appraising Crews**

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**STATEMENT:**

To evaluate productivity, there must be a standard to use as a gauge. Lacking one, we must establish a base to work from. For our purpose, let's use 100% as the productivity realized when the following stipulations are met:

1. Labor market favorable (no mechanics in the lower 10% bracket are required).
2. Industrial projects requiring not more than 50 mechanics.
3. Support of mechanics in the field, good.
4. Material deliveries, timely.

These conditions establish a standard in line with that normally used by the better estimators.

**QUESTIONS:**

What productivity rating could be expected under the following conditions?

- A. Jobs using 8- or 10-man crews of a contractor's regular mechanics—labor market bad.
- B. Jobs requiring 30-to 50-man crews—labor market bad.
- C. Jobs requiring more than 50 mechanics—labor market bad with hectic conditions such as existed during and after World War II.

**ANSWERS:**

- A. 100% to 110%
- B. 80% to 85%
- C. 60% to 70%

**DISCUSSION:**

While there is much talk about the abuse of time by mechanics, we must not become prejudiced against electricians in general. The laxity of a few men interferes with the work of many and reduces the productivity of an entire crew. To study this more thoroughly, let's take each of the previously mentioned conditions in order.

**Condition A**

Condition of the labor market has little or no effect on the attitude of the better mechanics. They are not the type that "let down" because they think their employer cannot get along without them.

It is not uncommon to have small crews of regular mechanics producing better than the 100% standard. This is to be expected because

the standard is based on their better-than-average ability offsetting the short-comings of the poorer workmen.

Productivity of the better mechanics will fall off only when they are hampered by unskilled and indifferent men, procurement failures (untimely material deliveries), slow progress of the project, or some other reason beyond their immediate control.

### Condition B

In normal times, a 50-man crew must absorb some of the less skilled mechanics. When the labor market is bad, it also must include some indifferent help and part time wiremen. Lack of skill in this assortment not only slows the work but affects the regular men who must take time to help and direct the newer mechanics. Result: lost time and possible loss of interest by the "regulars."

Estimated productivity (using 100 working hours as an example) of the 50-man crew discussed above would be determined approximately as follows:

20 men @ 95% — 1900 manhours
20 men @ 80% — 1600 manhours
10 men @ 60% — 600 manhours
50 men <b>Totals</b> 4100 manhours

Thus, the estimated average productivity of the crew would be 82%.

### Condition C

During the hectic periods of World War II, and immediately after, productivity was influenced by numerous factors beyond the control of the mechanics. Material deliveries were untimely. Other trades could not cooperate 100%. There was general confusion and, at times, support of the men in the field was not at its best.

In Electrical Estimating (McGraw-Hill Book Co.), the following items are listed as being responsible for the 70% productivity rate in 1946:

Cause of Reduction	Percent Loss
Delayed and untimely material delivery	7
Lack of coordination of other trades	5
General confusion on the job	3
Labor market	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>

There were many complaints about extremely low output during the last war. The writer is familiar with two projects with a reported 50% productivity rate. The following serious conditions contributed substantially to this record:

1. Jobs were overmanned.

**Table I**  
**Variations in Work-Day Practices\*\***  
(Non-installation time)

<b>Operation</b>	<b>Time in Minutes</b>		
	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>
Changing clothes—in morning .....	15	..	..
Selecting tools and getting on the job .....	15	10	5*
Coffee-break—9:30 AM .....	15	10	..
Preparation for lunch .....	15	10	5
Return to work after lunch .....	15	5	..*
Coffee-break—2:30 PM .....	15	10	..
Pick-up and prepare to leave—afternoon .....	20	15	5*
Relief periods .....	30	20	15
Sitting around waiting for 4:30 .....	10	..	..
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>150</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>30</b>

**Notes:**

A—From current projects (unusual)  
B—Suggested standards  
C—From 1938 projects (unusual)  
\*\*—Medium size industrial projects  
\*—Partially or wholly on mechanics' time

**TABLE II**  
**Distribution of Time**  
(8-hour day)

<b>Operation</b>	<b>Time in Minutes</b>		
	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>
Actual installation time .....	330	400	450
Normal incidental time .....	60	60	30*
Special allowance—coffee breaks .....	20	20	..
Wasted time .....	70	..	..
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>480</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>480</b>

**Notes:**

A—From current projects (unusual)  
B—Suggested standards  
C—From 1938 projects (unusual)  
\*—Unusual condition

2. Material deliveries were unbalanced and untimely.
3. The state of confusion affected all trades.

The contractors were not in position to build up crews and add men in line with their best judgment. Contracts were of the cost-plus type and the authorities constantly called for more men. The resultant over-manning virtually invited a slowdown.

Some equipment and materials were shipped far ahead of time and had to be stored and protected until installed. The added labor involved was just so much excess load on the mechanics.

Perhaps much of the confusion could not have been avoided in the understandable haste to get things done. But, the factors noted above created conditions and productivity hazards that the best of crews could not have coped with.

### Extreme vs. Standards

Too often, opinions of conditions in general are formed from studies of extreme cases. Tables I and II provide comparative studies of such extremes with a reasonable standard. Each Table has three columns representing the following:

Column A—Reported conditions on some current projects.  
Column B—Suggested standards.  
Column C—Reported conditions on some 1938 projects.

Table I shows variations in work-day practices listing the mechanics' non-installation activities. Table II shows the distribution of time for an 8-hour day including installation, incidental, coffee-break and wasted time. Explanation of the three sets of values in each table follow.

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**"GOOD MORNING, MR. PROSPECT.** I am Rita Brown of the Krug Maintenance Company. We have a program for lighting maintenance which can save you money."

*Boosting work volume with . . .*

## **Salesladies For Lighting Maintenance**

Here's how Krug Maintenance Company, Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y., has organized an outside sales force of four salesladies to canvass the widespread market for contract lighting maintenance.

**F**OUR ladies are today doing a mighty effective job of selling lighting maintenance for Krug Maintenance Company, Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y. Their performance has proved not only that women can do this semi-technical sales job, but that the pleasant feminine touch is a definite asset in the sales approach.

The lighting division of the company is under the sales direction of Herbert Wohlman, who conceived the idea of using salesladies. The details of his organizational structure are as follows:

1. The four salesladies report to Wohlman in the performance of their selling job.
2. Each of the salesladies has been carefully schooled by Wohl-

man in the essential technology of their job. Over a one-week training period, they have been taught the fundamentals of modern lighting. This includes evaluation of such characteristics as footcandle levels, brightness ratios, reflectance factors, maintenance factors and efficiency and economy considerations. In addition, they have developed an extensive understanding of the various luminaires, diffusers, lamps, ballasts, accessories and other equipment concerned with the task of lighting maintenance. They know equipment specifications and operating characteristics. They know how to select and apply equipment for various lighting design objectives. And they understand the details of

luminaire mounting and installation. Of course, questions may arise from time to time about some technical point which, at the time, the particular saleslady is unable to answer. In the relatively few cases of this type, the engineering staff of the company can quickly and surely solve any problems. And as time goes on, the special problems will become part of each salesladies' experience, adding to her fund of knowledge on the subject.

3. Each saleslady has also been fully trained in the mechanics of sales negotiations. This includes general training in selling—how to explain the advantages and how to demonstrate the economy of lighting maintenance on a contract

basis. They are trained in pricing the various details of lighting maintenance—pricing labor and materials to come up with the annual cost of the contract for the particular customer. In the area of pricing, each saleslady is authorized and fully qualified to make firm agreements on all routine maintenance and on any special maintenance.

4. Each saleslady is responsible for a well-defined geographic area. Her job is to contact industrial plants, stores, office areas and all other commercial and industrial users of large amounts of fluorescent lighting. She arranges for a personal interview with the appropriate authority to explain contract lighting maintenance. Then she follows up with a visit to the prospective customer to sell the maintenance contract. Equipped with a loose-leaf binder of manufacturer's product literature, she discusses the customer's need for lighting maintenance and fills out a survey form to arrive at the material and labor costs involved. The customer is then presented with a contract form which he signs. The contract form is returned to the home office and, by a regular procedure, the new customer's plant (or office, or store, or etc.) is included in the working schedule of Krug's maintenance mechanics.

5. Once a prospect comes under a



**"CONTRACT MAINTENANCE** is the modern, economical way to keep fluorescent lighting systems operating at peak efficiency. Let me demonstrate how our program reduces cost of maintenance, increases light output, reduces equipment failures and damage, provides for all emergencies, stimulates employee productivity and adds many other benefits." Complete explanation of the contract lighting maintenance program is made by Rita Brown to this prospective customer. After full explanation, discussion of the customer's needs for lighting maintenance and a lighting survey of the customer's plant, the complete lighting maintenance program is set forth, with its cost, in a contract which is signed by the customer.

maintenance contract, the saleslady makes a practice of checking with the customer from time to time to assure his complete satisfaction with the maintenance program.

6. Remuneration for the salesladies is made on the basis of draw against commission. Such an arrangement provides an effective

incentive for each saleslady and does offer an attractive income.

According to Herb Wohlman, the use of salesladies in selling lighting maintenance has worked out fine. They have demonstrated ability to do the job as well as, if not better than, men. And customer reaction has been highly favorable.



**"THANK YOU** for signing up for our lighting maintenance program. We will immediately work out a service schedule of regular lamp and luminaire cleaning, lamp replacement and electrical inspection. We are sure you will soon recognize all of the economies of contract lighting maintenance."



**CONTINUAL STUDY** of lighting equipment is part of each salesladies job, to supplement the initial week of intensive training she received. Here, Herb Wohlman, manager of the lighting division, is pointing out some important characteristics of a fluorescent assembly to be used on a typical job.

# Determining Power

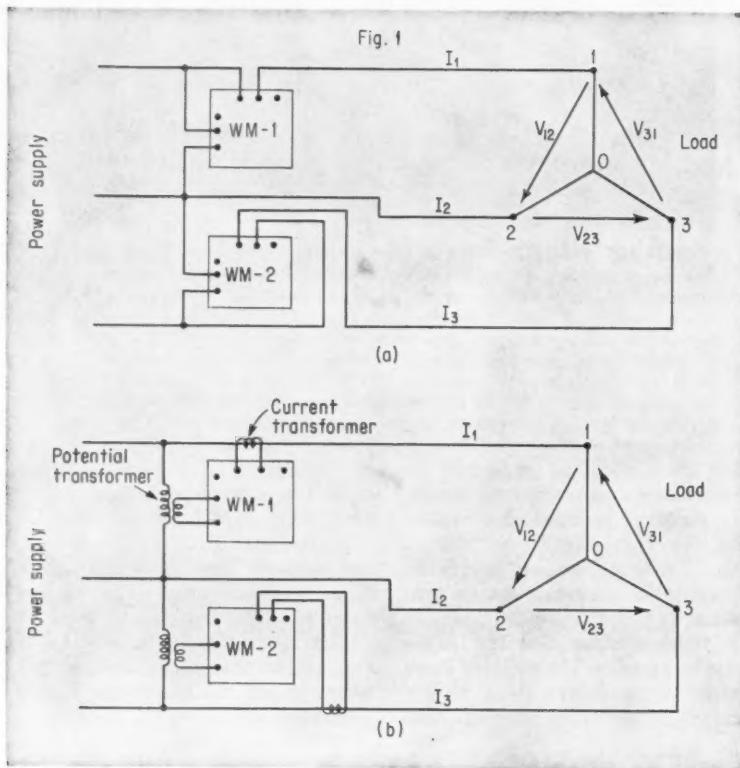


FIG. 1—Two-wattmeter method of measuring three-phase power. Connections are shown (a) for direct-connected meters and (b) for meters requiring potential and current transformers.

A useful method of determining load power factor with two wattmeters and a "ratio of wattmeter readings" curve.

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QUITE often a check of power factor conditions in a plant becomes important. This may involve specific equipment such as induction motors, a portion of the electrical system, or the complete system. Such an investigation may be carried out to check contract guarantees, evaluate effects of over-motoring, or other reasons.

Power factor meters give direct indications, but such instruments may not be readily available. Then other methods must be used. The two-wattmeter technique is fairly common and determination of power factor from the ratio of the two-wattmeter readings is the subject of this discussion.

Measurement of power to a 3-phase motor are often made by the two-wattmeter method shown in Fig. 1-a or 1-b'. The direct meter connections of 1-a may be used when voltage and current values are within the wattmeter range. Several wattmeter terminal posts may be available for both voltage and current connections. A connection multiplier for the meter terminals used may be determined from instruction on the inside of the meter-case cover. The wattmeter reading then is:

$$\text{Watts} = (\text{needle scale reading}) \times (\text{meter connection multiplier})$$

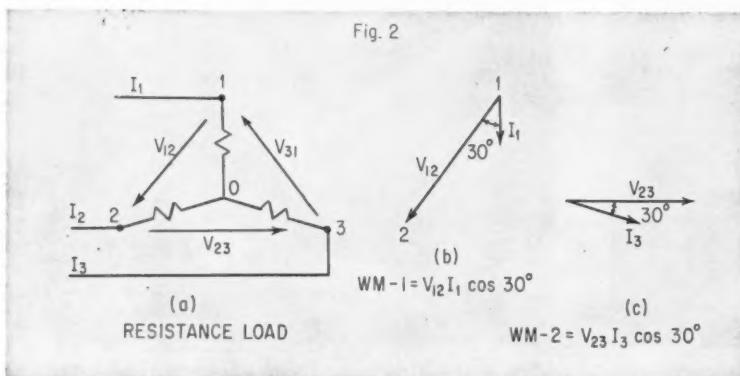


FIG. 2—Resistance load vector diagrams showing relation of voltage and currents at wattmeter for balanced voltage and current conditions. Formulas (2) and (3) of text refer to these diagrams.

# Factor From A Graph

When line potentials and currents exceed values permitted for direct wiring to the meter, potential and current transformers may be used as indicated in 1-b. The wattage may then be calculated as:

Watts = (needle scale reading)  
 X (meter connection multiplier)  
 X (potential transformer ratio)  
 X (current transformer ratio)

When voltage and current are known, load power factor of a 3-phase circuit may be calculated from the following formula:

$$\text{Power Factor} = \frac{\text{watts}}{\text{volt-amperes}} =$$

$$\frac{\text{Algebraic sum of wattmeter readings}}{\sqrt{3} V I_L} \quad (1)$$

Where: Wattmeter readings are from Fig. 1.

$V$  — is line-to-line voltage  
 $I_L$  — is line amperes

Equation (1) requires a knowledge of line voltage and current to determine load power factor. This is not always necessary. When the power system has balanced voltages and supplies balanced line currents to a load, such as an induction motor, power factor may be determined from the ratio of the two wattmeter readings.

## Power Factor from Wattmeter Ratios

The following examples illustrate a method of determining load power factor from the ratio of the two wattmeter readings of Fig. 1. First, a balanced resistive load will be considered; then a combined resistance and reactance load such as an induction motor. The wattmeter connections of Fig. 1 and vector diagrams of Figs. 2 and 3 will be used.

**Resistance Load**—The load currents and voltages for a resistance load may be drawn in vector form as shown in Fig. 2-a. In 2-b the potential and current vectors of Wattmeter Wm-1 are  $V_{12}$  and  $I_1$ ,

respectively, with a  $30^\circ$  phase angle between the vectors. Similarly in 2-c, wattmeter Wm-2 potential and current values are represented by vectors  $V_{23}$  and  $I_2$ , respectively, with a  $30^\circ$  phase angle between.

Therefore, power readings are:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Wm-1 Watts} &= V_{12} I_1 \cos 30^\circ \\ \text{Wm-2 Watts} &= V_{23} I_2 \cos 30^\circ \end{aligned}$$

For balanced line voltages and balanced currents:

$$V_{12} = V_{23} = V \text{ and } I_1 = I_2 = I$$

Then:

$$\text{Ratio: } \frac{\text{Wm-1}}{\text{Wm-2}} = \frac{V_{12} I_1 \cos 30^\circ}{V_{23} I_2 \cos 30^\circ} = 1.0 \quad (2)$$

Also:

$$\text{Load Power Factor} = \frac{\text{Wm-1} + \text{Wm-2}}{\sqrt{3} V I} = \frac{2V I \cos 30^\circ}{\sqrt{3} V I} = 1.0 \quad (3)$$

**Resistance and Reactance Loads**—An impedance load consisting of resistance and inductive reactance (induction motor) is shown connected across a balanced voltage supply in Fig. 3-a. The voltage and current vector relationship for wattmeter Wm-1 (see Fig. 1) is indicated in 3-b. Wm-1 then reads:

$$\text{Wm-1 Watts} = V_{12} I_1 \cos (30^\circ + \theta)$$

Where:  $\theta$ —is the power factor angle of the load; the angle by which the impedance load current  $I_1$  lags behind the impedance voltage  $V_{12}$ .

Similarly, the voltage and current vector relationship of wattmeter Wm-2 is shown in 3-c. This meter reads:

$$\text{Wm-2 Watts} = V_{23} I_2 \cos (30^\circ - \theta)$$

Where:  $\theta$ —is the angle of lag of the impedance current  $I_2$  behind the impedance voltage  $V_{23}$ .

For a balanced impedance load and supply voltage:

$$V_{12} = V_{23} = V \text{ and } I_1 = I_2 = I$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ratio: } \frac{\text{Wm-1}}{\text{Wm-2}} &= \frac{V_{12} I_1 \cos (30^\circ + \theta)}{V_{23} I_2 \cos (30^\circ - \theta)} \\ &= \frac{\cos (30^\circ + \theta)}{\cos (30^\circ - \theta)} \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Load Power Factor} &= \frac{(\text{Wm-1}) + (\text{Wm-2})}{\sqrt{3} V I} \\ &= \frac{V I [\cos (30^\circ + \theta) + \cos (30^\circ - \theta)]}{\sqrt{3} V I} \\ &= \frac{\cos (30^\circ + \theta) + \cos (30^\circ - \theta)}{\sqrt{3}} \quad (5) \end{aligned}$$

Values of load power factor angle  $\theta$  may be assumed to evaluate equations (4) and (5) which may then be plotted in curve form as shown in Fig. 4.

The curve of power factor vs wattmeter ratio is a useful reference. The following discussion indicates how the readings of the wattmeters of Fig. 1 may be expected to vary with load; and how power factor for various motor loads may be determined from the curve of Fig. 4.

We may assume that the two-wattmeter method of Fig. 1 is used to measure power to a fully loaded induction motor and that the current and potential transformer ratios and meter multipliers are similar. Motor power input may be determined from the sum of the wattmeter readings. Motor power factor may be determined from the ratios of the wattmeter readings using the curve in Fig. 4.

For motor operation at 100% power factor, both wattmeters read the same and the ratio of wattmeter readings is 1.00 which may be checked on the Fig. 4 curve.

In the usual induction motor case, the motor power factor at full load is less than 100% and one wattmeter (say Wm-1) reads less than the other meter (Wm-2). Thus, if the ratio of the readings Wm-1/Wm-2 is 0.57, reference to the curve shows the motor power factor to be 85%. On further reduction of motor load both wattmeter readings decrease in value with Wm-2 continuing to read higher than Wm-1.

As motor loading is further reduced, a condition may be reached when the Wm-1 reading decreases to zero. All the power input to the motor is then determined from the other wattmeter readings. Since

Fig. 3

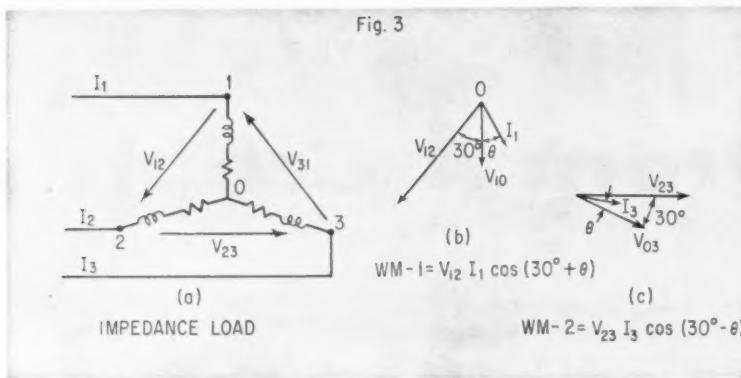


FIG. 3—Vector diagrams for an impedance load consisting of resistance and inductive reactance show relation of voltage, current and power factor angle  $\theta$ . Formulas (4) and (5) of text refer to these diagrams.

the ratio of the two meter readings is "O", motor power factor is 50% as determined from the curve.

On still further decrease of motor loading, the reading of wattmeter  $W_m-1$  continues to decrease in value. The reading of  $W_m-2$  tends to "change sign" or read lower than the "O" mark on the meter scale. The meter needle may be brought back on scale by reversing either the voltage or the current connections at this meter. Motor power input may then be determined from the difference of the two meter readings. Power factor may also be determined from the ratio of the meter readings (with a negative sign assigned to the low meter reading) by referring to Fig. 4.

Thus, when a motor load is decreased from full to light values, one wattmeter always reads higher than the other. Furthermore, this meter always reads positive and does not tend to read lower than "O" as the other meter does for motor power factors less than 50%.

As another example, the power factor of an initially lightly loaded induction motor increases with increasing load in most applications. When the load on the motor increases, the motor power factor may pass through the 50% value and one wattmeter reading then reverses. Before reversal, the wattmeter readings are subtracted. After reversal, the readings are added to obtain motor power input.

Occasionally uncertainty may exist as to whether the two-wattmeter readings are to be added or subtracted for a change in motor loading. Such cases may arise when the power factor is in the vicinity of 50%. Several methods

of testing to verify the sign of the meter readings are available.<sup>2</sup>

#### PF from Single Wattmeter

The curve of Fig. 4 may also be used to determine power factor when only one wattmeter is available, provided the meter is switched or located by other means—first in one, then in the other, of the required meter locations shown in Fig. 1. If this is done, the two required wattmeter power readings

may be obtained with one meter and the circuit power factor may be determined from Fig. 4. Since simultaneous meter readings are not obtained by this method, there is a chance for error in power factor determination should load vary in the time interval between the two sets of readings.

#### Motor Current from PF Curve

Motor current may also be determined from the wattmeter readings and the curve of Fig. 4, if the readings are obtained on a circuit of known voltage. With the voltage known and the power factor obtained from the curve, the following formula is used:

$$I = \frac{\text{watts}}{\sqrt{3} V \text{ pf}} = \frac{(W_m-1) + (W_m-2)}{\sqrt{3} V \text{ pf}}$$

Where:

$V$  — is line-to-line voltage  
 $\text{pf}$  — is the power factor from Fig. 4  
 $I$  — is the motor line current

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Fig. 4

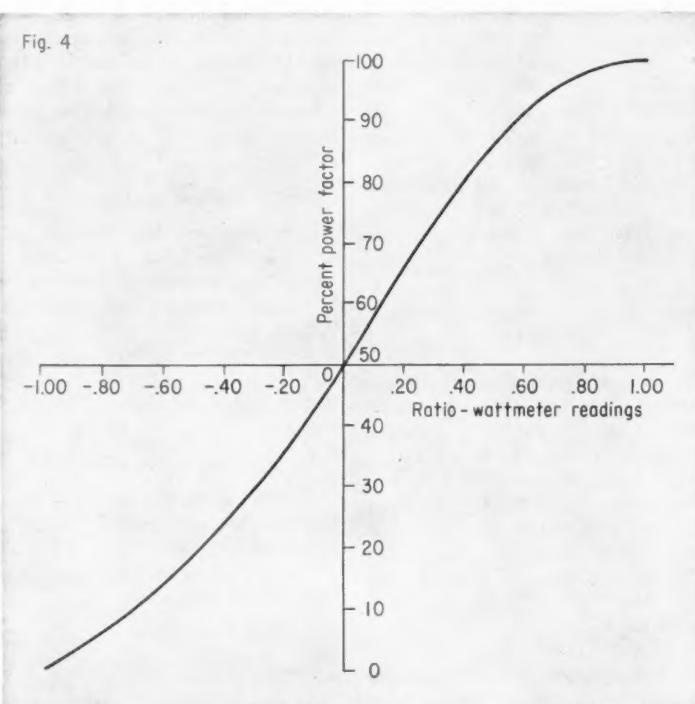


FIG. 4—Reference curve of power factor vs ratio of wattmeter readings. When ratio of meter readings in Fig. 1 is known, power factor of the load may be determined from this curve.

# Houses for Electric Heating Research

Initial results of extensive test program in two Minnesota houses occupied by "ghost" families.

INITIAL reports of tests conducted on two electrically heated test houses built by the Wood Conversion Co., St. Paul, Minn., provide interesting and valuable data on heater performance, insulation effectiveness, temperature control, sun and wind effect, heating costs, and heat loss.

This scientifically planned and controlled \$250,000 program, begun in the fall of 1959, included elaborate provisions for simulated occupancy, moisture generation, operation of electrical appliances, and controlled door openings—as well as a complete complement of devices for measuring electrical demand and energy consumption and for recording temperatures, humidity, wind speed and solar heat. These measurements were to provide data for the accurate comparison of heat loss in the two houses under various preset conditions; for study of wall, ceiling, floor, attic, crawl space, and earth temperatures for different operating conditions; and for determining limiting relative humidities under preset conditions.

The two homes, built on adjacent lots on the edge of Stillwater, Minn., face north. Construction is identical, except for differences in thermal insulation used. Balsam-wool products of different thicknesses manufactured by the company, with and without reflective liners, were installed to provide performance data under actual conditions of use. Laboratory hot-box tests of the insulating products yielded the U-values shown in Table 1, which were used in calculating design heat losses.

Fig. 1 shows floor plans, general construction, and insulating details of the two houses. Heating design data for the above-grade rooms are given in Table 2. Heating equipment was also provided to fully heat the below-grade rooms; design data and results of tests conducted in these rooms will be given in a subsequent report.

TABLE 1. Insulation Schedule

House	Construction	Thickness (in.)	Liners	Hot-box U-Values*
				(Btu/h/sq ft/deg TD)
A	Ceiling	5	Reflective	.046
	Walls	3 1/2	Regular	.057
	Floor	2	Regular	.082
B	Ceiling	3 1/2	Reflective	.056
	Walls	2	Reflective	.066
	Floor	1	Reflective	.071

\* Hot-box tests were made on insulated 5 1/2 x 6-ft panels including 10% wood framing.

## Load Simulation

These houses were unoccupied during the first winter except for the "ghost families" created by load-simulating equipment. Normal expected internal heat and moisture gains from a family of four, from lighting, and from miscellaneous appliances were simulated using small resistance heaters and humidifiers and by regular scheduled operation of major appliances and showers (see Tables 4 and 5). Daily door-openings were controlled by project engineers and recorded by means of mechanical counters on each door. A camera, set up in the basement laundry room, was timed to photograph all kilowatt-hour and demand meters each midnight to provide a daily running record of energy usage.

More than 300 copper-constantan thermocouples were placed on and in walls, ceilings and floors, on thermocouple "trees" in each room, outdoors, in the crawl space, attic, and buried in the earth. Two recording potentiometers automatically recorded temperatures indicated by 78 of these couples every 24 minutes; the others were read manually using a portable potentiometer each week or when information was required. In addition, recording thermometers and hygrometers in the living room of each house provided continuous strip charts of air temperatures.

Outdoors, a sheltered resistance-type thermometer recorded air temperature every 2 1/2 minutes; a 30-ft weather mast mounting a wind speed and direction indicator and a 10-junction pyrheliometer provided wind and solar heat data.

## Test Results

Although both houses were operated uniformly, the conditions were varied during the heating season to provide 15 phases of operation or testing periods. For example: there were periods when no simulated internal heat loads were used; window glazing was varied using double and triple glass; interior doors were kept open during some periods, closed in others; basement was alternately heated and not heated. As a result, the extensive recorded data may be sorted and analyzed at any time to permit investigation of any aspect of these operating conditions. Only part of this data has been checked; some important initial findings are reported here.

**Heating Energy:** Still of significant importance to the prospective user of electric space heating

FIG. 1 Floor Plan and Elevation

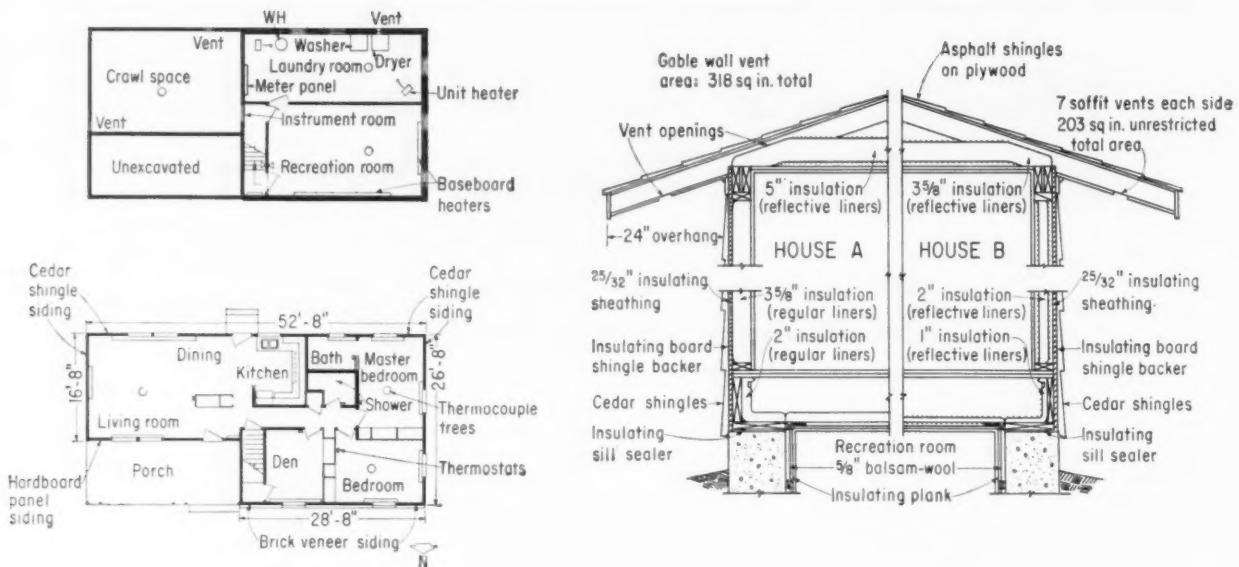


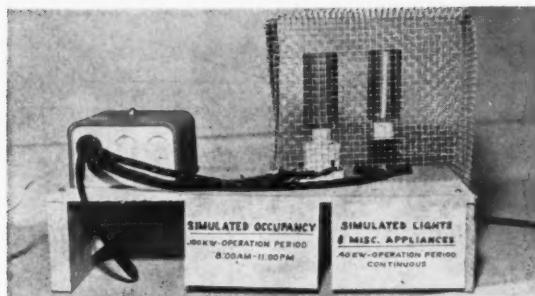
TABLE 2. Design Data

Design Heat Loss							Installed Capacity			
Room	Area (sq ft)	1/2 Air Change			1 Air Change			Bluh	Watts	Watts Sq ft
		Bluh	Watts	Watts Sq ft	Bluh	Watts	Watts Sq ft			
<b>House A</b>										
Living Room.....	448	13,552	3,971	8.9	16,498	4,834	10.8	15,017	4,400	9.8
Kitchen.....	106	2,293	672	6.6	2,992	877	8.3	2,730	800	7.6
Master BR.....	160	4,249	1,240	7.8	5,294	1,551	9.6	5,461	1,600	10.0
Master Bath.....	42	1,113	326	7.8	1,386	406	9.7	1,707	500	11.9
Bedroom.....	150	4,059	1,189	7.9	5,045	1,478	9.8	5,461	1,600	10.7
Den.....	142	3,553	1,040	7.3	4,734	1,387	9.7	4,266	1,250	8.8
Shower.....	36	447	131	3.6	683	200	5.6	1,707	500	13.9
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>29,266</b>	<b>8,580</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>36,633</b>	<b>10,739</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>36,349</b>	<b>10,650</b>	<b>9.8</b>
<b>House B</b>										
Living Room.....	448	14,126	4,139	9.3	17,071	5,001	11.2	Normal DD (complete heating season): 7700		
Kitchen.....	106	2,413	707	6.7	3,112	912	8.6	Outdoor design temp: -20F		
Master BR.....	160	4,485	1,314	8.2	5,529	1,620	10.1	Indoor design temp:		
Master Bath.....	42	1,178	345	8.2	1,451	425	10.2	Above-grade rooms: 70F		
Bedroom.....	150	4,335	1,270	8.5	5,321	1,560	10.4	Below-grade rooms: 50F		
Den.....	142	3,829	1,122	7.2	5,010	1,468	10.3			
Shower.....	36	474	139	3.9	710	208	5.7			
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>30,840</b>	<b>9,034</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>38,204</b>	<b>11,193</b>	<b>10.3</b>			

Notes: 1. Calculations are based on double-glazed windows and storm doors. For triple-glazed windows, subtract 3,419 Btuh (1002 watts) from total heat loss.

2. Living-room area and heat loss include 68-sq-ft entrance hall.

3. Installed capacity is identical in both houses.



**BODY HEAT**, lighting and small appliances were simulated by automatic control of small cone heaters.

is the question, "What will be my annual heating cost?" Metered heating energy used in the above-grade rooms of the two houses, November through May, was as follows:

House A: 11,830 kWhr.

House B: 12,540 kWhr.

This 5.5% difference in energy consumption, due mainly to the heavier insulation in the ceiling of House A, would represent a \$10 to \$12 saving annually for a normal complete Minneapolis-St. Paul winter.

These kWhr figures serve to show the difference in insulating effect; however, they are not representative of annual operation. For example, after making adjustments for the abnormalities of operation due to the tests, for a complete heating season of 7700 degree-days, and for full family simulation and double glazing, House A shows actual annual consumption of 11,200 kWhr. This would represent a heating cost of \$196 based on the Stillwater monthly electric heating rate of \$13.75 for the first 500 kWhr and 1.75 cents per kWhr in excess of 500.

For 1,084 sq ft of heated floor area, the heat factor<sup>1</sup> would be 1.34 kWhr/sq ft/MDD. Compared to the usual country-wide figures of 1.8 to 2.2, the heat factors indicated are evidence of the benefits of the thorough, careful insulating and weather-proofing practices employed during construction. As shown in Fig. 1, particular attention was given to usually neglected areas of heat loss such as the inside of the headers and sills above the foundation wall. Also contributing materially was the use of insulating sheathing and insulating board shingle backer.

How does this adjusted annual figure of 11,200 kWhr for House A compare with estimates obtained using the NEMA formula? With a recommended

**TABLE 3. Recorded Weather Data**

	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Ave. daily temp.....	25F	27F	15F	16F	20F	45F	57F
Degree-days.....	1181	1143	1525	1408	1381	589	260
Ave. wind speed (mph).....	5.9	4.8	8.5	5.0	8.8	5.1	

Coldest temperature recorded: -20F on Jan. 4.  
Total degree-days, Nov. through May: 7349 (8% above normal)

constant of 17, a design temperature difference of 90 degrees, 7700 degree-days, and a total heat loss of 10,739 kWh at one air change per hour, the formula gives

$$\frac{10,739 \text{ kWhr} \times 7700 \text{ DD} \times 17}{90} = 15,600 \text{ kWhr.}$$

This is 29.3% higher than the test results. The two most likely reasons for this difference are (1) the actual air change is less than the one per hr assumed; (2) the constant of 17 used is too high to adequately account for the extra heat gains supplied by solar energy, appliances, body heat, etc.

If we rearrange the NEMA formula and solve for the constant, C, we can substitute the design conditions of Table 2 and come up with a realistic value for C which fits the actual results obtained in House A:

$$C = \frac{11,200 \times 90}{10.7 \times 7700} = 12.2 \text{ (1 air change)}$$

$$C = \frac{11,200 \times 90}{8.6 \times 7700} = 15.2 \text{ (\frac{1}{2} air change)}$$

It appears that if one air change per hr is assumed, a constant of 12.2 will give accurate estimates, while a constant of 15.2 should be used if one-half air change is assumed.

It is important to know which is correct, however, since use of one-half or one air change will materially affect the installed capacity of the heating equipment. The data given in Table 6 can be used as a rough check on actual infiltration.

The tests in the den of House A showed the heating energy used with double glass on the windows to be 0.202 kWhr/DD during the test period or 187.5 kWhr for the 928 DD recorded. In addition (not shown in the table), 11.4 kWhr were supplied by the body-heat simulating heaters—a total energy input of 198.9 kWhr.

Average temperature difference during the period was 53.8 degrees:

**TABLE 4. Occupancy Load Simulation (Family of Four)**

Heater Location	Operating Period	Total Operation (hr per day)	Connected Load (watts)	Heat Simulation (Btu per day)		
				Sensible	Latent	Total
Living Room.....	8 am-11 pm	15	150	5759	1920	7679
Kitchen.....	8 am-11 pm	15	100	3840	1280	5120
Master Bedroom.....	11 pm- 7 am	8	150	3072	1024	4096
Bedroom.....	11 pm- 7 am	8	100	2048	682	2730
Den.....	11 pm- 7 am	8	75	1536	512	2048
				Total heat input (Btu per day)		
				21,673		
				Total heat input (kWhr per day)		
				6.35		

$$\frac{198.9 \text{ kwhr}}{53.8 \text{ deg}} = 3.697 \text{ kwhr/deg TD.}$$

The test covered 19 days, or 456 hours:

$$\frac{3.697 \text{ kwhr/deg TD}}{456 \text{ hr}} = .0081 \text{ kw/deg TD}$$

or 8.1 watts/deg TD.

Based on a 90-deg design TD, the total room design heat loss would be

$$8.1 \frac{\text{watts}}{\text{deg TD}} \times 90 \text{ deg} = 729 \text{ watts.}$$

From Table 2, this is considerably less than the calculated heat loss of the den at both one-half or one air change. It is to be expected that, because of the low average wind speed during this period, the actual transmission heat loss through the walls would be less than design U-values would indicate (due to lower surface film resistances); however, even with allowances for this factor, the actual air change indicated would be less than one-half. Hence for homes in this area of comparable size and insulated to the same degree, results of these tests indicate that heat-loss calculations based on one-half air change per hr and annual energy estimates using a NEMA constant of about 15 will give close heating cost estimates. Also, the one-half air change in heat-loss calculations will result in heater capacities closer to actual requirements.

This illustrates the value of records of metered heating energy to the refinement of estimating methods. Many such records, obtained for different structure types, different orientations, and various glass areas and degrees of insulation, would eliminate much estimating guesswork. Additional infiltration data is currently being obtained in the test houses with portable infiltration metering equipment utilizing a tracer gas technique to determine the rate of air change in each room. The results will be helpful in providing an answer to the much-debated air-change question in well insulated houses.

**Double vs Triple Glass:** A study of heat loss using double- and triple-pane windows was made possible through the installation of a third pane of glass to create two air spaces. Tests were made over two periods reasonably comparable as to weather conditions. During the first period, triple glass was used on the single window in the den; during the second period, the third pane was removed. Table 6 shows test results, indicating an energy saving of 12.2%.

The savings accomplished through the use of a third glass surface will vary with the room, depending upon the amount of ceiling, wall and floor

**TABLE 5. Lighting and Appliance Load Simulation**  
(Family of Four)

Load	Total time connected per day	Connected load (kw)	Consumption per day (kwhr)
<b>Actual Operation:</b>			
Washer.....	50 min	0.30	0.25
Dryer.....	55 min	4.24	3.90
Dishwasher.....	50 min	1.02	0.85
Water heater.....	Automatic	2.60	14.16
<b>Simulated Operation</b>			
Refrigerator.....	12 hr	0.10	1.20
Freezer.....	Continuous	0.25	1.80
Range.....	100 min	2.00	3.40
Television.....	6 hr	0.15	0.75
Lights and Misc.....	Continuous	0.14	3.36
Total daily consumption (kwhr).....			29.67

insulation, the ratio of glass to wall area, and the orientation. The den window used for these tests was on the north wall, comprising 18.8% of the gross north wall area. A similar study made of the master bedroom, with windows on the south and west walls, showed less of an energy reduction using triple glass; however, this was due to the influence of solar radiation.

We can check this 12.2% result from another direction using the NEMA formula with the 15.2 constant determined above at one-half air change per hr. Total heat loss of House A using triple glass would be 7597 watts at one-half air change (see Note 1 to Table 2). Substituting in NEMA formula gives 9,880 kwhr annual energy. This is 11.8% lower than the 11,830 kwhr metered with double glass.

Actually, the proper NEMA constant for use with triple glass would be less than 15.2, since the extra heat gains comprise a higher percentage of the house heat loss than with double glass. Use of a lower constant would thus give a lower annual energy figure, with a resultant savings greater than 11.8%. It appears, therefore, that the over-all energy saving for House A with triple glass is close to 12% compared with costs using double glass.

For houses with equivalent glass areas but less insulation, we could expect less of a saving, since the windows would represent a smaller proportion of the total heat loss.

Thus the percent savings increases as the thermal insulation is increased; however, the dollar savings may or may not increase, since the annual heating cost will be less for the better insulated house. It is certainly worthwhile during the design phase to calculate savings to be expected with triple glass and compare them with initial costs to determine the extent to which it can be economically advantageous, keeping in mind the added benefit of increased comfort due to higher inside surface temperatures and the higher indoor relative humidities possible without danger of condensation.

Results of tests on solar heat contributions and interior surface temperatures in these test houses will be discussed in a subsequent article.

**TABLE 6. Effect of Double and Triple Glass**  
Tests made in den of House A

	Double Glass	Triple Glass
Test period.....	Feb 4-Feb 23	Jan 18-Feb 4
Degree-days.....	928	835
Average outdoor temperature.....	16.2 F	15.2 F
Average wind speed.....	6.3 mph	5.1 mph
Heating energy		
kwhr/DD.....	.202	.180
kwhr/sq ft/MDD.....	1.42	1.27
Energy reduction, triple glass over double glass.....		12.2%

<sup>1</sup>See "The Heat Factor," EHF No. 6, Dec., 1960.

# Lighting for College Dramatics

California State College dedicates modern speech-drama building containing theatre, radio and TV facilities that constitute "a major advance in theatre mechanization." Electrical contract handled by Fischbach and Moore represented 15% of building's total cost.

THEATRICAL, television, radio and musical facilities superior to many professional installations recently made headlines when San Fernando State College of Northridge, Calif., dedicated a new \$2½-million speech-drama building. Termed "a major advancement in theatre mechanization" by "those in the know" from nearby Hollywood, the installation contains an array of modern lighting, control and air conditioning equipment in addition to a power distribution system which incorporates over 38 miles of cable and constitutes over 15% of the building's gross cost.

Within the structure, a 3600-sq-ft stage for the 400-seat "little

theatre" is flexibly toplighted by three 40-ft battens which may be raised to the upper limit of a 60-ft-high stage loft, or lowered to within 5 ft of the stage floor for relamping or for interconnection of equipment to dimmers or directly to switched circuits. One batten is attached to a motor-operated catwalk, while main curtain and movie screen are similarly mechanized.

To prevent excessive festooning of flexible connection cables when battens are raised, conductors are grouped, intermittently banded, and maintained taut by spring-loaded reels and weighted halyards.

Additional stage illumination is

projected from equipment located in a pair of fully air-conditioned ceiling-recessed lighting galleries above the orchestra pit. The various batten and gallery lighting units total 152 in number, ranging in wattage from 250-watt stationary spots to 2000-watt "follow" spots, and all equipped with full complements of color inserts.

Two control booths, one for lighting and the other for audio, likewise share an area above the theatre's rear entrance, both booths being equipped with up-to-the-minute projection equipment and control consoles.

Control circuiting installed throughout the auditorium number 145, while over 2000 ft of rigid conduit is related to lighting circuitry plus intercom systems linking control booths with rear-stage and orchestra-pit stations.

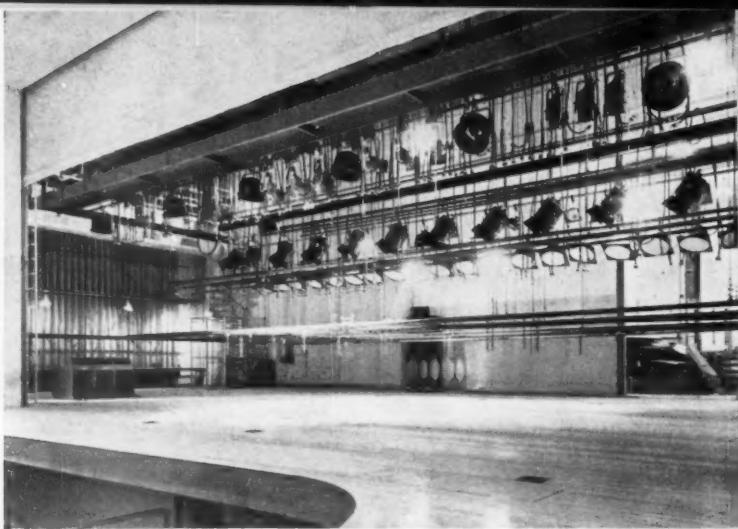
Combining esthetics with utility, the theatre obtains excellent acoustical properties through non-parallel placement of all ceiling and wall panels, plus special treatment of these surfaces.

For maximum stage-managing efficiency, a portable control console may be positioned in any desired backstage location, making it possible for a student manager to electrically control all lighting, scenery battens and curtain operations from this convenient spot.

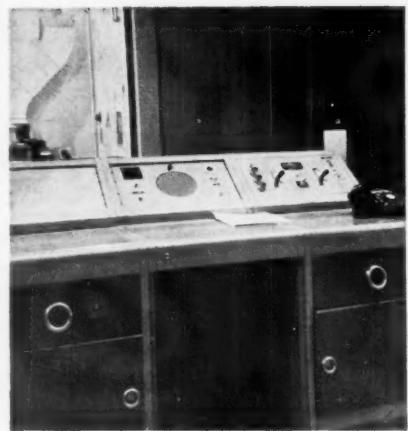
Dimmer banks, controlled from either the portable stage console or from the rear-auditorium booth, are remotely located in a sound-proof equipment room located in the basement beneath the stage.



**MASTER CONSOLE** in elevated booth of little theatre permits complete pre-setting of 4-scene presentation (left); manual control of lighting via scene master and sub-master dimming levers (right); plus pushbutton reloading of circuits (foreground).



**FULLY MECHANIZED** stage in college theatre has motorized light battens, catwalk, curtains and movie screen; all equipment controllable from either stage-manager's portable console or fixed master booth above rear entrances of 400-seat auditorium.



**PORTABLE CONSOLE** permits stage manager to control all lighting, curtain operations and scenery battens from desired location in wings or backstage area.

Dimmers are magnetic amplifier units, there being 27 3-kw and 11 6-kw units in this installation. In addition, this fixed dimmer installation is augmented by six portable dimmer panels which can be moved to any location within the speech-drama building, as desired. Two of these panels include six 6-kw dimmers each, while the remaining four panels have six 1000-watt units, a 6-kw master dimmer, plus all necessary control accessories.

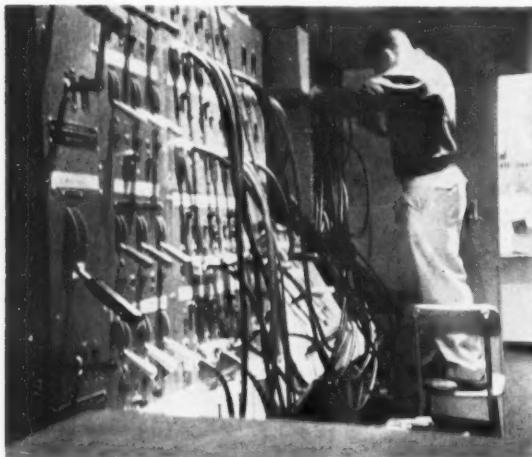
Adjoining the theatre is a 200-seat music hall, with wall and ceiling areas similarly acoustically treated, and with house-lights controlled by motor-driven auto-transformers activated by pushbuttons

from a stage control panel. Top-lighting for the 1250-sq-ft stage is provided by two stationary light battens, while local lighting is also available for illuminating individual music stands in a floor-recessed orchestra pit.

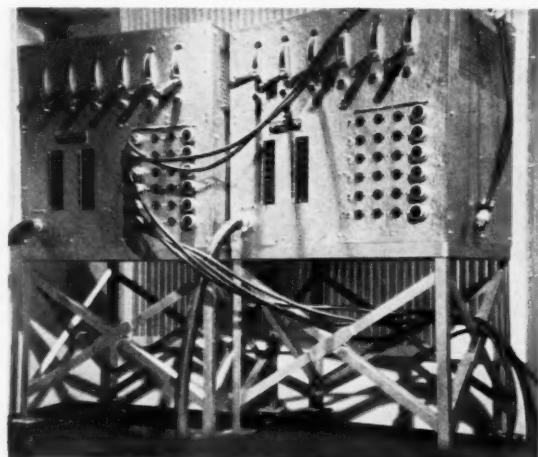
Perhaps the most unique facility in the building is an experimental theatre featuring a baffled ceiling that masks six 44-ft stationary lighting battens, thereby offering unlimited possibilities for unusual staging and lighting via 288 units connected to 36 circuits controlled from a separate soundproof control booth. Staging flexibility is also furthered by rearranging movable seating arrangements.

Comment is likewise in order concerning a 2400-sq-ft TV classroom-laboratory, toplighted by three 48-ft battens, each adjacent to a catwalk to facilitate connections and placement of flood- and spot-lighting equipment. In addition, two control booths are equipped with modern audio control panels, portable light-control consoles, record turntables and intercommunication systems.

Electrical contractors were Fischbach and Moore, with supervision by chief engineer Lawrence E. Grundy and project engineer Jerome B. Donohue. General contractors were Steel Brothers Construction Co., Alhambra, Calif.



**EXPERIMENTAL** theatre has separate control equipment in soundproof booth, with 288 items of lighting equipment connected to 36 circuits pertaining to six battens concealed by ceiling baffles. Flexibility for novel staging is also promoted by movable seats in this "theatre-in-the-round."



**PORTABLE DIMMER** panels can be moved to any desired location in the speech-drama building, making it possible for students to utilize equipment in variety of TV or theatrical production. Flexibility and quality of entire electrical installation compares favorably with professional standards.

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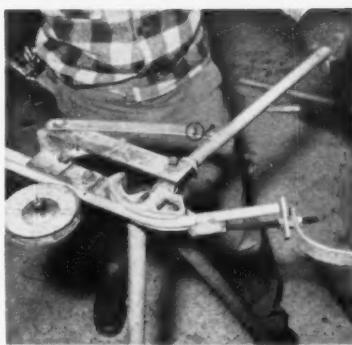
Such a facility was used by Gilbert-Hodgman, Inc., Chicago, project electrical contractors on a 20-story reinforced-concrete apartment structure. To speed up raceway fabrication for deck installation, job foreman Robert Opfer transformed a conventional EMT bending tool into a handy bench bender. Tubing was cut, reamed, bent and bundled at this station. Both 90° and 45° offsets were formed. The 45's provided laterals to baseboard outlet boxes to keep them above slab level and to permit final flush alignment with partition surfaces.

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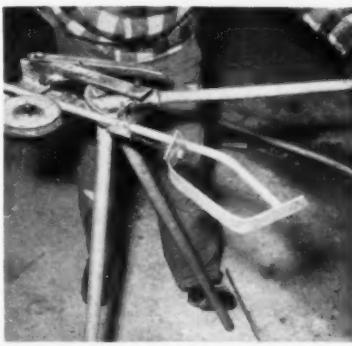
couplings welded together to form an inverted-V provide "sockets" for the legs. The bender assembly rests on the front legs. The remainder of the horse supports an 8-ft by 2-ft table of ½-in. plywood fastened to a welded bracket at the rear and a pipe clamp up front. This provides space for a tubing vise, cutting and reaming tools and a flat surface for tubing being fed into the bender. Table and bender are 41 in. above floor level.

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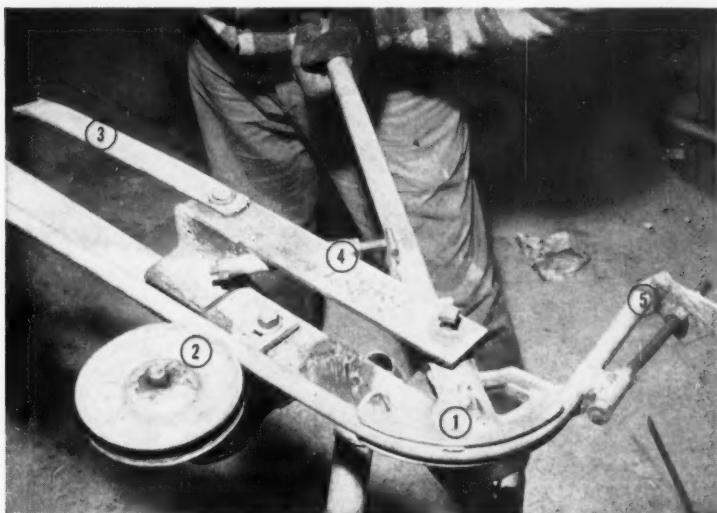
Welded to the bending clamp at one end of the bending shoe is an adjustable threaded-bolt stop which can be preset for the proper offset height. Attached to the end of this stop is a flat-bar positioning saddle which is used for making 45° double offsets in a section of thin-wall conduit. With tubing stops preset and the flexible arrangement of



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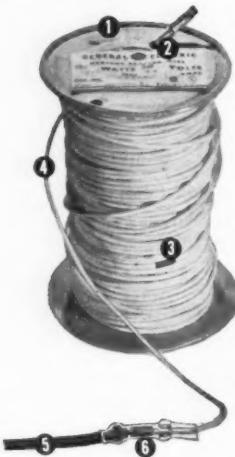
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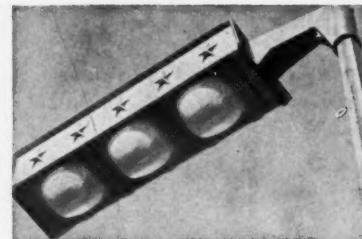
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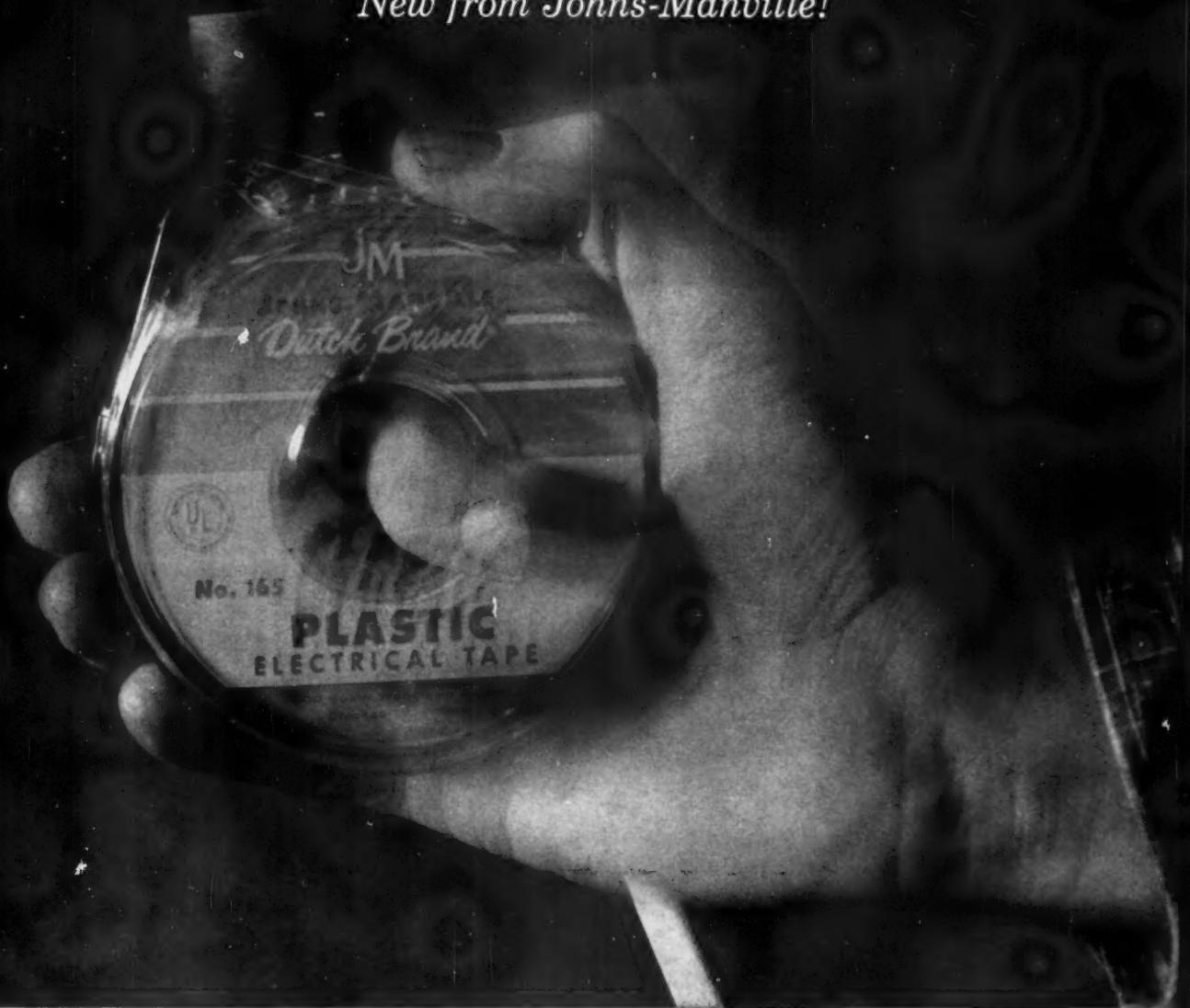
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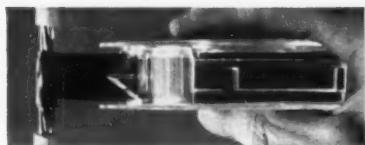
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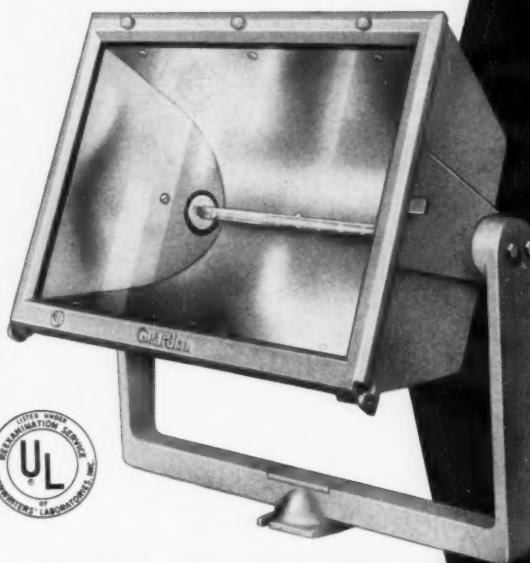
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It was stated that the improved capacitors, besides having optimum voltage-level considerations incorporated into their design, are also smaller and lighter and permit higher kvar output. The kvar output ratings have been increased to include a 25-kvar unit at 460 and 575 volts. This means that, for a capacitor-bank installation, the number of units to be installed and interconnected is reduced, resulting in less installation time and costs. For example, where five 20-kvar units were previously required to make up a 100-kvar bank, the same rating can be achieved by installing four 25-kvar units.

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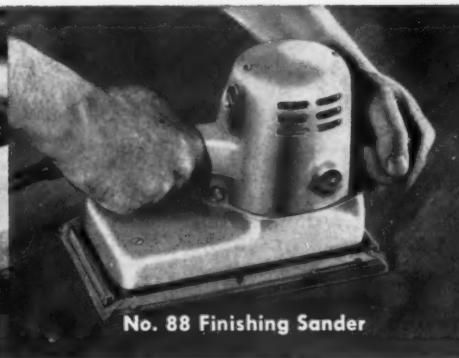


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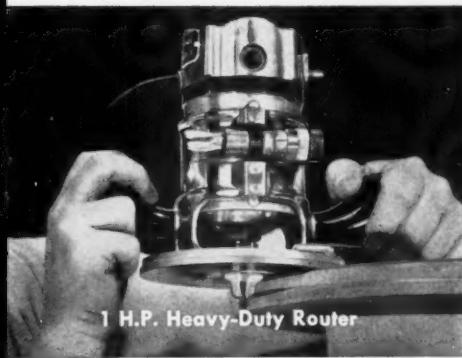


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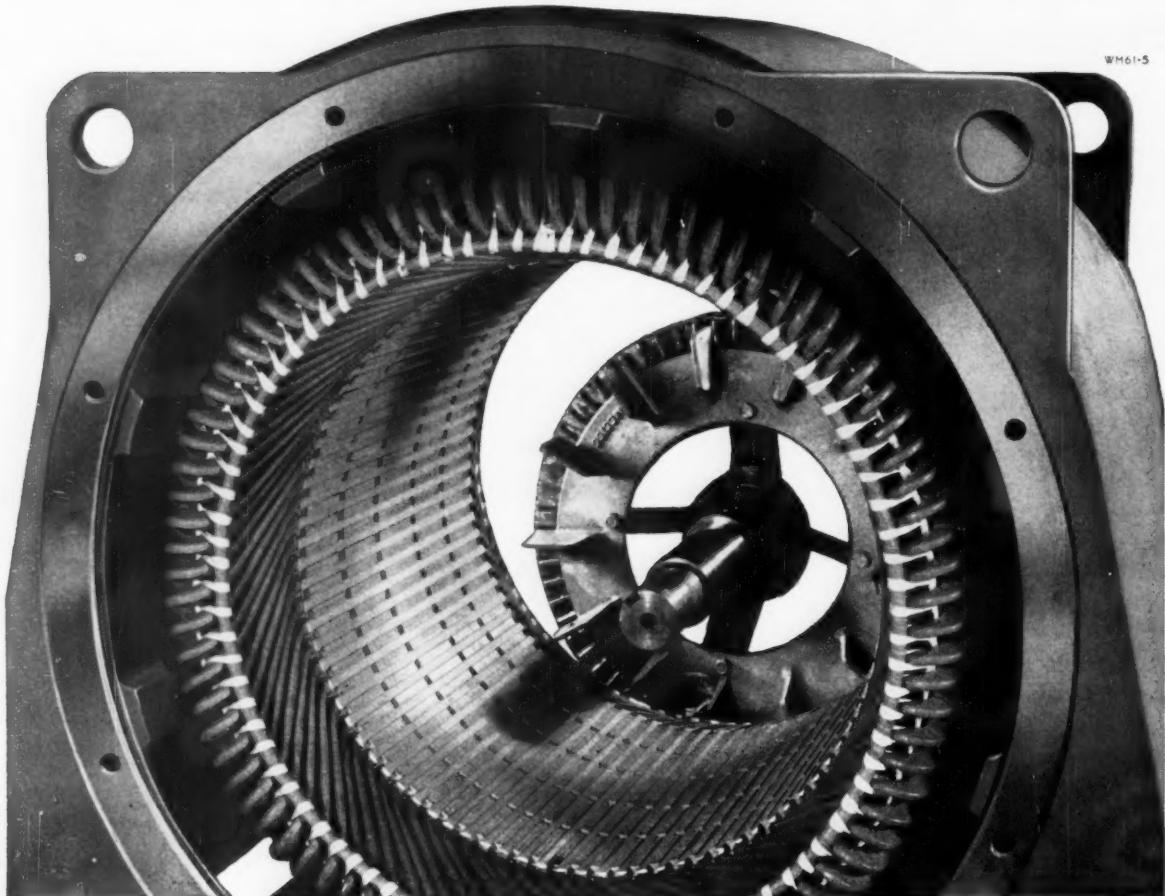
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## MOTOR SHOPS

### Perforated Angles for Framing

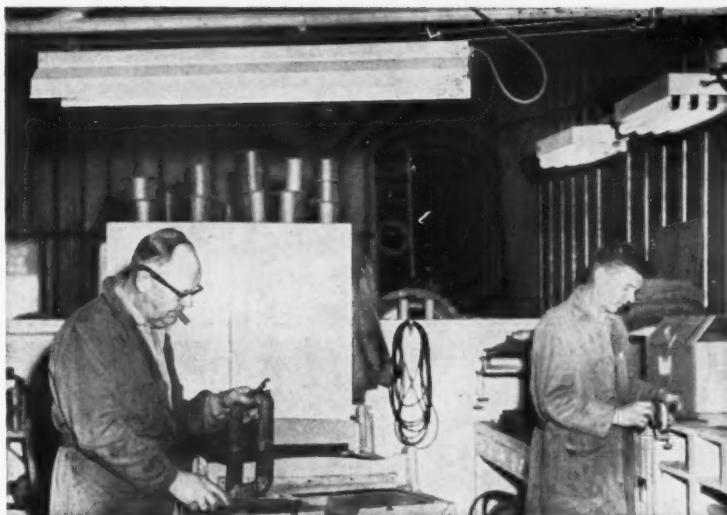
Mobile work benches, racks and storage shelves formed from perforated angles and framing members are used extensively by Atlas Electric and Engineering Co., San Francisco, to facilitate movement of equipment and motors from one area to another, and to permit fast and easy reallocation of floorspace when shop rearrangement or normal housekeeping routines dictate.

Fabricated in the shop from slotted metal angles which are obtainable with ready-to-assemble factory-accurate right-angle bends, dimension marks and perforations, these various structures may be constructed with hand tools.

All that is necessary for construction is a hacksaw for cutting angles to prescribed dimensions, assortments of hex-head bolts and nuts, a wrench for tightening same, plus factory-assembled casters.

Subsequent disassembly of these units for shipping or for reformation into other forms is unlikely, although this could be accomplished if need be, merely by removing bolts and collapsing assemblies for compact storage or movement.

As noted in the accompanying photo, a sturdy work surface can be formed from wooden planks. Or, if surfaces with heat-, skid-, or impact-resistant properties are desired, surfaces can be additionally covered with metal, abrasive or rubber-sheets.



**FLUORESCENT FIXTURES**, supported by messenger wires which in turn are secured to swinging booms, can be placed at will over any desired work area within the limits of the boom arc.

### Adjustable Lighting for Motor Shops

Good lighting is a feature of Ed Kurze's motor repair shop in San Jose. And, as indicated by the accompanying photo, many of the industrial fixtures are made adjustable by (1) equipping them with canopy brackets that slide freely along supporting messenger wires, and (2) attaching the messenger wires to brackets secured to the underside of the swinging booms which are made of welded conduit sections and are pivoted at wall lines.

Connection of fixtures to wall-mounted receptacle boxes is via long, flexible neoprene-jacketed cords. And, since booms can be swung 180 degrees, since fixtures can be moved to any desired position along the length of the lower boom arm, and since movement of the units is unhampered by non-flexible circuit connections, the various lighting units can be positioned at will over any specific work area within the arc of any specific boom. Since the shop is equipped with numerous such installations in addition to close spacing of 4-lamp fluorescent banks above wall-placed work benches, Kurze employees have the benefit of ample lighting wherever they happen to be working at the moment. Such an installation provides an effective, flexible lighting system.

### Protection for 3-Phase Motors

Motor failures are costly both in dollars and in interrupted work schedules. Therefore it is advisable to install protective devices designed to safeguard motors against overloading. This is common sense, because overloading forces motors to work harder than their capabilities, causing excessive current to flow through windings, resulting in temperature of windings rising unduly and, eventually, contributing to the failure of insulation.

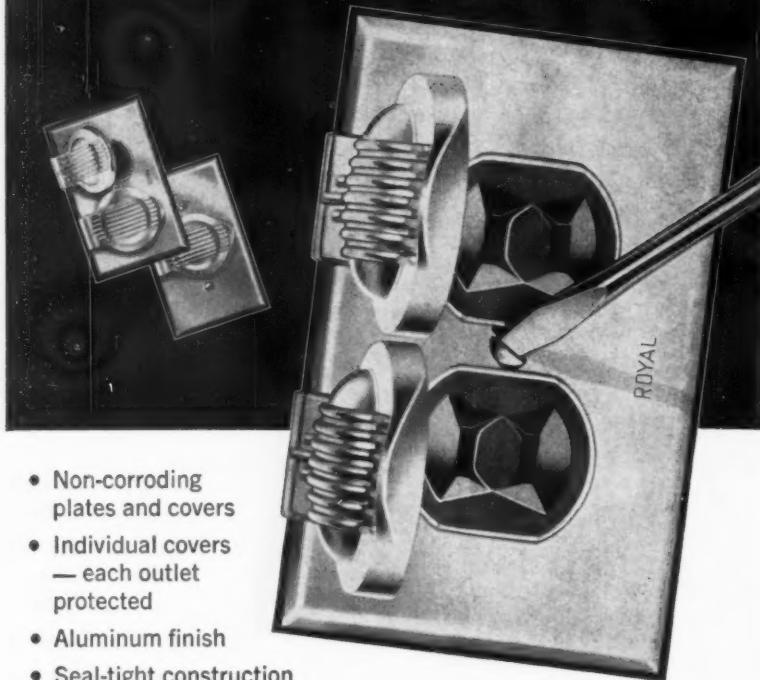
Motor failure can also occur due to unbalanced motor currents caused by unequal internal motor windings, or from having too much single-phase equipment connected on the same power circuit. Motor burn-outs can also result from a break in one of the three wires carrying power to a 3-phase motor, and this break can be located either within the motor-owner's distribution system or outside of his premises in the lines of the utility supplying the power.

These several facts are pointed out in pamphlet form to customers of the San Jose Armature Works, San Jose, Calif. Customers are further advised that the risk of burn-outs can be lessened by installing protective devices of recommended types in recommended numbers and locations. This basic



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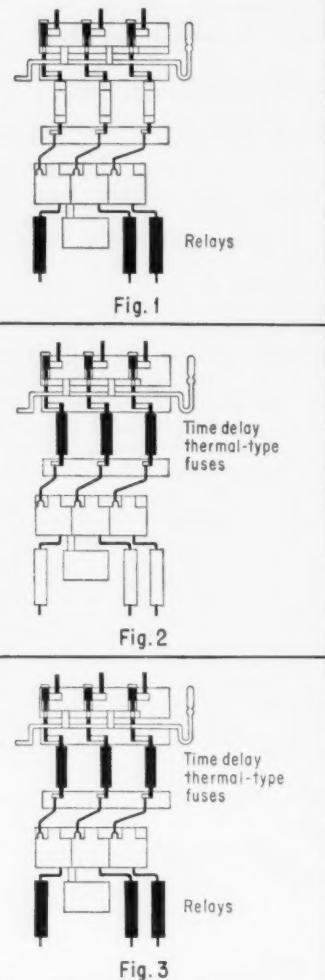
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instruction sheet likewise informs them that some practices formerly considered adequate for complete protection are not necessarily adequate under all conditions; such as the former practice of placing standard-type fuses in the three leads to a 3-phase motor, with heat-activated relays additionally located in two of the three legs.

Present thinking, however, recognizes the facts that (1) excessive current can flow through the one wire without the relay, and that (2) standard fuses designed to withstand severe short-circuit currents are too large and too insensitive to respond to less-severe overloads.

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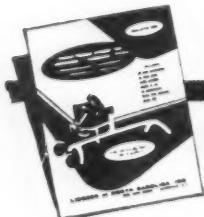
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such protection achieved in two ways as indicated by accompanying sketches. For example, heat-activated overload relays can be installed on all three motor leads (Fig. 1), or time-delay thermal-type fuses can be used (Fig. 2), or these two procedures may be combined as shown in Fig. 3, which features dual protection.

It is noted that, in the West where irrigation pumping is fairly extensive, pumping panels made during the past few years have spaces provided for three relays, that the cost of a third relay is small, and that the installation is simple. On standard motor starters and older pumping panels, installation of a third relay may require an additional reset mechanism and possibly a larger enclosure—the cost of which, while not minor, being considerably less than replacement or repair of a burnt-out motor. The pamphlet suggests that time-delay thermal-type fuses offer the simplest and most economical solution for protecting standard industrial motor starters employing fuses, because they compare in cost favorably with standard-type fuses, and they provide both overload and short-circuit protection in a single device.

In conclusion, customers of this repair shop are advised that motor efficiencies and lifespans can be safeguarded by:

—placing motors in cool, well-ventilated surroundings to prevent excessive temperatures;

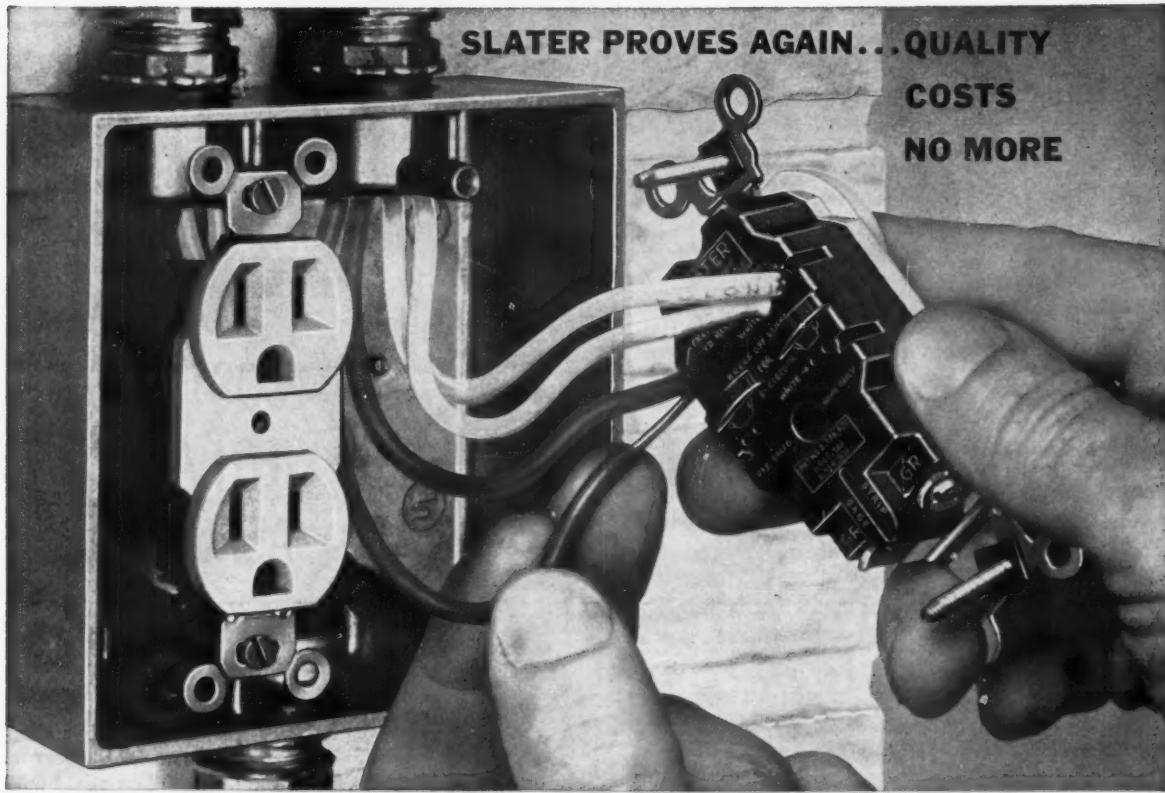
—using correct lubricants in recommended amounts, neither over or under-greasing, and avoiding filling oil holes to the point where they drip;

—checking to see that voltage and frequency of the power supply coincide with motor characteristics;

—installing proper wiring and fuses, making bolt connections tight and checking starter contacts and fuse clips for cleanliness and good contact surfaces; and

—guarding against action of such foreign materials as water, acids, metal dust or abrasives reaching motor windings or clogging ventilation openings.

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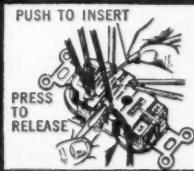
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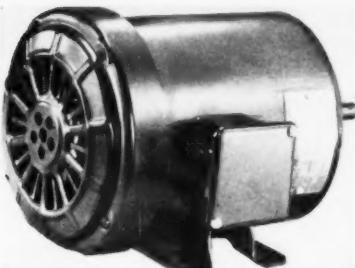
# Product News



## Panelboards (1)

It is now possible to mount circuit breakers as well as fusible switches and motor starters in QMB panelboards. Circuit breakers are available in single and twin units, in ratings from 125-255 and 15-100 amps respectively. Each unit is furnished in an individual steel enclosure with dead-front construction. For extra safety, plug-in units—both switches and circuit breakers—mount directly above starters, permitting interlocking. They accommodate reversing or non-reversing starters. Sizes 0 through 4; plug-in circuit breakers through 225 amps; plug-in switches through 200 amps (600 amps bolted). Bulletin SD-80 is available.

*Square D Company, Mercer Road, Lexington, Ky.*



## Motors (2)

A complete line of totally enclosed, fan-cooled motors has been added to this line of Form G fractional hp motors. Motor line is ideal for industrial applications where dust or dirt is prevalent. Cooling is accomplished by an outboard fan directing an air stream over motor. Totally enclosed fan cooled motors with a resilient base and others with NEMA 56C end mounting are included in the line. Available in ratings from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 hp

in NEMA-56 frame size, this line meets NEMA standards in capacitor-start and polyphase single-speed and split-phase single and 2-speed designs. All are rated continuous duty, 55 C rise.

*General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y.*



## Bender (3)

A new bender, called the "Little Kicker," No. 1810, makes offset bends in  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. EMT for entering switch and junction boxes, fuse boxes and other outlets. Both bends of offset are formed simultaneously by pressing down on handle. Bender weighs  $5\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.

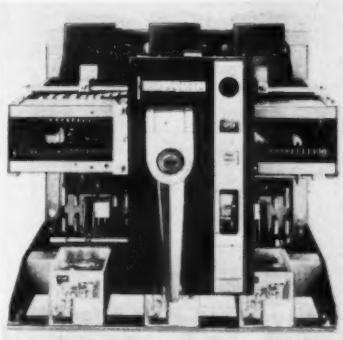
*Greenlee Tool Co., Rockford, Ill.*



## Instrument (4)

Immediate detection of accidental grounds on power lines is provided by the Brunt Ground detector and alarm. When instrument is wired to a power system, 3-phase indicator lamps on face glow with equal intensity. As a ground occurs, one of the lamps dims or goes out, indicating on which phase the ground has occurred. Simultaneously a red warning lamp flashes steadily and a relay actuates an audible signal (bell or horn) which should be connected to the instrument. Warning flash and audible signal continue until a reset button is pushed; red lamp glows until ground is cleared.

*Par Manufacturing Corp., 40 Austin St., Newark, N. J.*



## CB Switchgear (5)

A new design of power circuit breaker switchgear has been designed to meet the more severe requirements of modern electrical systems. Major feature is uprating of individual breaker sizes. Previous standard sizes for units of this type were 225-, 600-, 1600-, 3000- and 4000-amp frame sizes. With the new line, ratings of the first three sizes have been raised to 400, 800 and 2000 amps. A second feature is substantial increase in short-circuit interrupting ratings, permitting selective coordination schemes at no premium. The three smaller breakers have IC ratings of 50,000 asymmetrical rms amperes and the larger units are rated for 100,000 amps. New design covers: stored-energy mechanism, ready change in setting of adjustable tripping device, and coil structure. The line also includes a hoist integral with the switchgear housing to permit ready exchange of CB units by a single maintenance man.

*Federal Pacific Electric Company, 50 Paris St., Newark 1, N. J.*

## Incandescent Light (6)

A new Westinghouse-By-Frink square-frame incandescent down-light is now available. It can be supplied in sizes of 100, 150 or 300 watts, prewired or unwired, and with frame of white enamel, aluminum, or bronze. All surfaces except for frames are covered with a white baked-enamel finish. Available shielding includes an Alba-lite 55 lens for even illumination with a wide spread, a Fresnel lens for minimum glare with a medium spread, and a dished opal shield for both down and ceiling illumination. Listed by UL.

*Frink Corporation, 211-63d St., Brooklyn 20, N. Y.*

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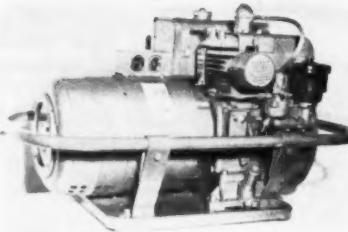
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### Generators

(7)

A versatile new series of portable engine-generators is available in sizes of 1000, 2000, 3000 and 4000 watts, ac, 3600 rpm. Features include Briggs & Stratton engines, pull starter, protective carrying frame, rubber mounts and handy receptacles, with optional wheel dollies and housing also available. New 1800-rpm series also available with sizes starting at 750 watts and up for electric, remote, demand starting and automatic transfer arrangements. Brochure is available.

*Katolight Corporation, Box 891, Mankato, Minn.*

safety device for control enclosures. When installed in enclosure, handle is never separated from disconnect mechanism and can be locked in "off" position when door is open or closed. Door is positively latched with a 2- or 3-point operating mechanism, but a "bypass" allows authorized inspection or service in "on" position. Oil- and dust-tight enclosures are formed from 12- or 14-gauge steel with welded seams and gasketed door. Box sizes run from 20 by 20 in. up to 60 by 37 in. in varying depths.

*Hoffman Engineering Corp., Anoka, Minn.*

### Magnet Wire

(10)

A new ML film-coated magnet wire which affords continuous high-temperature operation up to 250°C, and resists heat shock up to 425°C has been introduced. The heat stability of the new ML makes it adaptable to high-temperature applications, also provides for reduction in electric motor sizes. ML has high chemical resistance making it suitable for most types of encapsulated windings. It is available in all sizes of round, square and rectangular magnet wires. Film addition is single, heavy, triple, or quadruple, conforming with NEMA specifications.

*Anaconda Wire and Cable Co., 25 Broadway, New York 4, N. Y.*

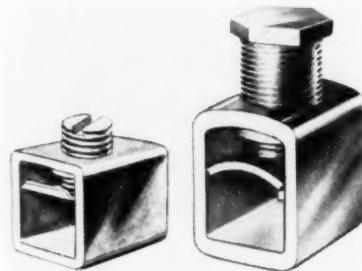


### Troffers

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New Series R31 open-design recessed aluminum troffers have reflectors and louver assemblies finished by the Alzak process which provides a diffuse surface protected by a dense, hard coating of aluminum oxide with a reflectance of more than 75%. Parabolic-contoured aluminum blades increase lumens in useful areas. Housings are constructed of cold-rolled steel, die-formed in 4- and 8-ft lengths. Housings are sprayed and baked with 86% reflectance white enamel. Knockouts allow continuous wiring of end-to-end mounted fixtures. Catalog sheet is available.

*Litecraft Manufacturing Corp., 100 Dayton Ave., Passaic, N. J.*



### Connectors

(11)

New pressure wire connectors for aluminum or copper conductors. All of the 100-, 125-, 150- and 200-amp fusible and circuit-breaker service entrance devices are equipped with these new connectors. Features are: made of plated copper; traveling pressure plate is attached to screw; screw is in raised position when installed on devices; listed by UL; connectors are being installed on both the line side and neutral position.

*Wadsworth Electric Mfg. Co., Inc., Covington, Ky.*

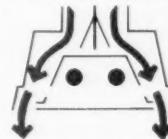
### Enclosures

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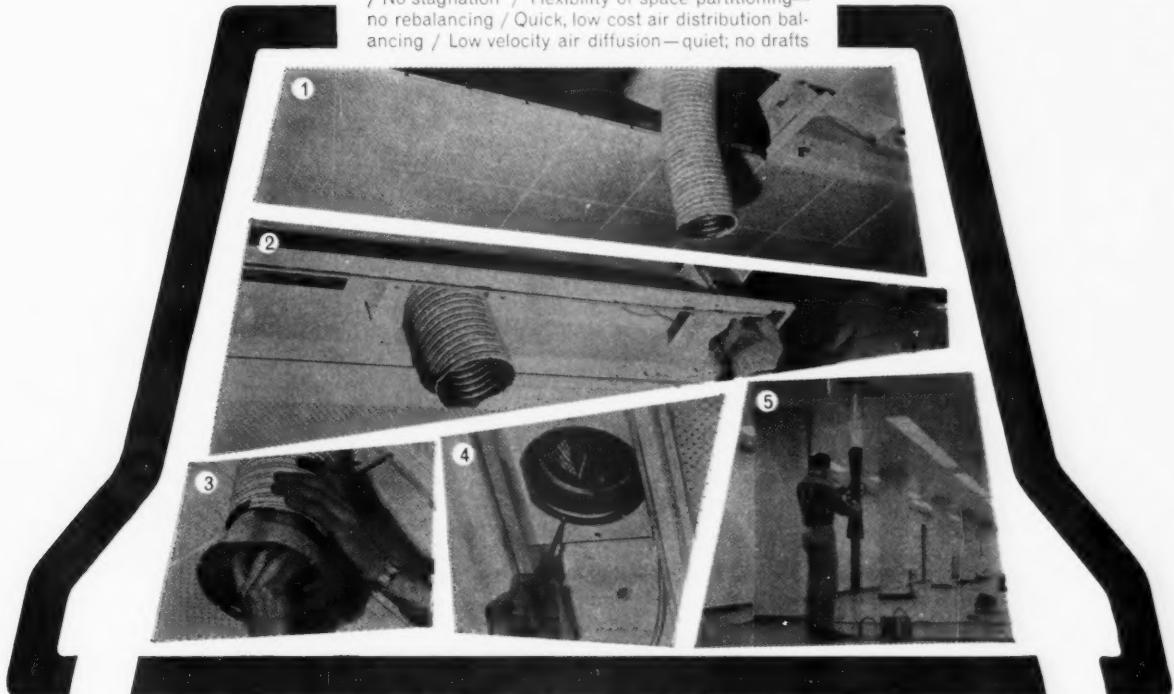
NEMA 12 panel enclosures for mounting the new externally operated disconnect switches are now available. A front mounting disconnect means such as the new Square D Class 9421 or Westinghouse Class 99-120 provides a

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The Multi-Vent system's unique design and engineering enables you to gain the advantages of combining light and air distribution at lowest cost. This applies to initial installation, operation, and maintenance costs, whether the totals be compared with separate systems for providing lighting and air conditioning, or for other combination systems. Take maintenance costs, for instance—by diffusing the air straight down at low velocity, *Multi-Vent prevents ceiling or wall smudging and thereby reduces cleaning and re-decorating costs*. And, ... Here's A Union Approved Procedure that Helps Keep *Installation Costs Low*. 1. Flexible tubing dropped through fixture opening in completed ceiling. 2. Troffer installed—tubing extending through 5" knock-out 3. Air valve assembly conveniently attached to the tubing from below 4. Completed ceiling without access through ceiling 5. Exclusive "Venturi" simplifies accurate balancing.



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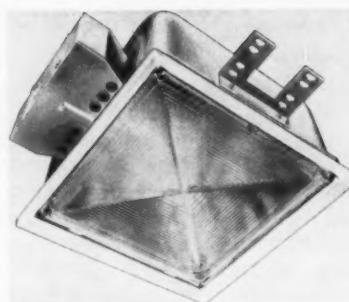
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**Lighting Fixture (12)**

A recessed lighting fixture, called "tamper-proof Uni-Frame," is suitable for indoor handball courts. It uses a concave lens which is unbreakable and unchippable. Uni-Frame is available in two sizes: a 10-in. fixture for a 100- or 150-watt lamp, and a 12-in. fixture for a 200- or 300-watt lamp. The 10-in., with frame, fits a standard 12-in. tile opening. Frame is available in a baked white or natural aluminum finish.

*Day-Brite Lighting, Inc., 6260 N. Broadway, St. Louis 15, Mo.*

**Conduit (13)**

"Color-coded" Sherarduct conduit, with MVC-1 coating, has been introduced. This is a rigid steel conduit, available in all sizes in a choice of five colors, with matching elbows and couplings. Product was developed to provide color-coding of conduit runs in factories and other industrial locations, such as in distinguishing runs carrying electrical lines from those carrying telephone or intercom lines.

*National Electric Div., H. K. Porter Co., Porter Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.*

**Receptacle and Plug (14)**

Type EHR receptacle and Type EHP plug are designed to meet the requirements of NFPA Bulletin 56. The explosion-proof receptacle, used in combination with a washable, watertight plug, combines the hospital feature of asepsis with the extra protection of a grounded, keyed and flame-tight electrical receptacle. The EHP plug is especially keyed so that it is the only plug that will actuate the EHR receptacle, but the EHP plug can also be used in standard non-explosion-proof Hubbellock receptacles. Its 3-wire construction offers safety of equipment grounding.

*Crouse-Hinds Company, Syracuse 1, N. Y.*

**Line Protection (15)**

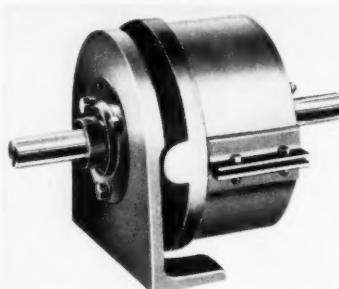
Protection for rotating ac machines against line surges caused by switching, faults, or lightning, using a factory preassembled protection device (Surgepak), has been announced. Protective units, custom designed for each application, are attached and wired into the circuit of rotating ac machines by either machine manufacturer or user. Ratings are available for system voltages from 2400 to 13,800 volts. Device is equipped for a 3-phase installation, one lightning arrester and one capacitor tied in parallel to ground on each phase, with isolated buses and common ground connection.

*Westinghouse Electric Corp., P. O. Box 2099, Pittsburgh 30, Pa.*

**Starter (16)**

Multiple-step interlocking in door and switch design plus visible-blade disconnect feature in new combination starter for industrial applications. Designed to meet NEMA-12, industrial, and NEMA-5, dust-tight, standards, the starter is available with size 0, 1 or 2 contactors and 30- or 60-amp disconnects. Additional optionals offered include third-line overload protection, dual control-circuit fusing, and extra transformer capacity.

*Clark Controller Company, 1146 East 152d St., Cleveland 10, Ohio*



**Brake (17)**

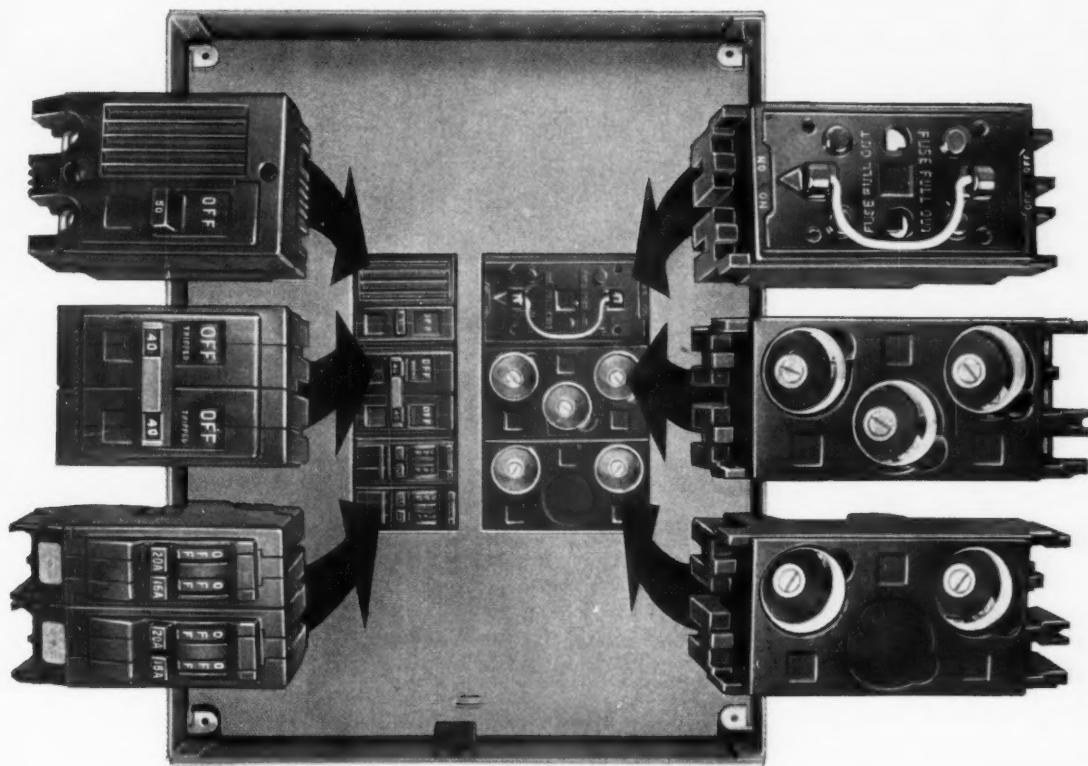
New 55,200 series of disc brake units has been introduced. They offer brake users a floor mounted, through-shaft brake with its own ball bearing mounted shaft. Intended primarily for applications where it is necessary to drive through brake, this model minimizes alignment problems. The ac operated brakes are available in torque ratings of  $1\frac{1}{2}$ , 3, 6, 9, 10 and 15 lbs ft.

*Stearns Electric Corp., 120 N. Broadway, Milwaukee 2, Wis.*

# NEW BREAKER/FUSE

*Plug in breakers and fuses,  
mount surface or flush  
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# PANEL

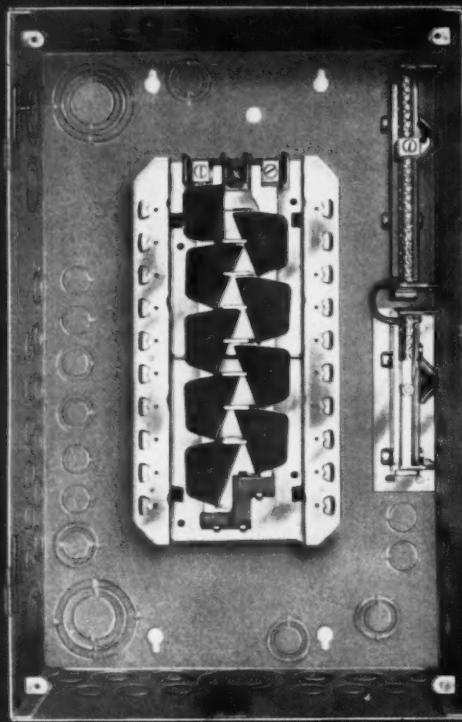


Now General Electric gives you the widest choice in service entrance equipment: "TWIN\*" circuit breaker load centers... fuse puller panels and the new 4-in-1\* Breaker/Fuse Panels.

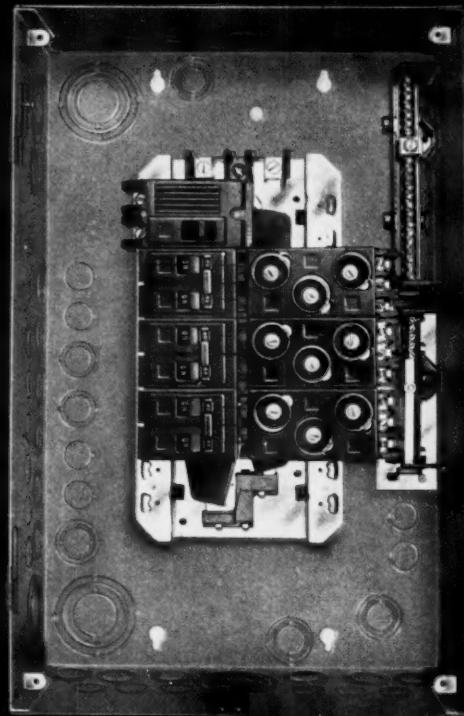
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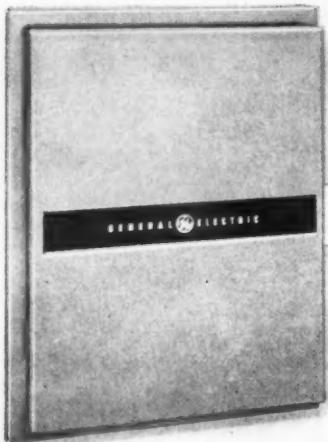


**Typical Breaker/Fuse Panel . . .** Cat. No. TP1612, shipped complete with box, front, interior; accepts both breakers and new G-E plug-in Fuse Blocks. Shown at right are three ways to assemble this panel.



**Mix Breakers and Fuses . . .** Cat. No. TP1612 with back-fed 100-amp main breaker, three 2-pole TQL breakers, plus nine plug fuses—all in the same box. Only new G-E Breaker/Fuse Panels offer versatility like this!

## COMBINATION ENCLOSURES - MOUNT EITHER SURFACE OR FLUSH

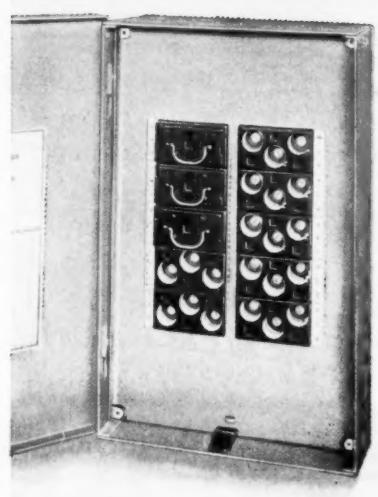


### New Flush Frame Locks Around Box, Hides Rough Plaster, Assures Neat Job.

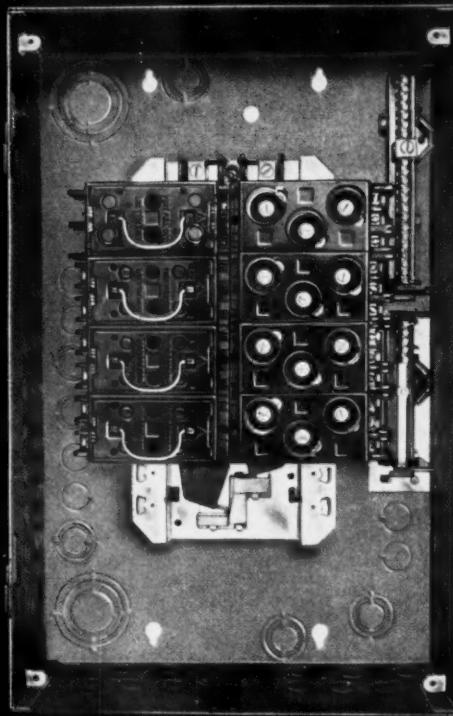
Here's dual mounting versatility: For flush installations, frame locks tight around box. Stud mounting ears automatically position box for  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch drywall — save time and labor . . . Nails quickly to studs.

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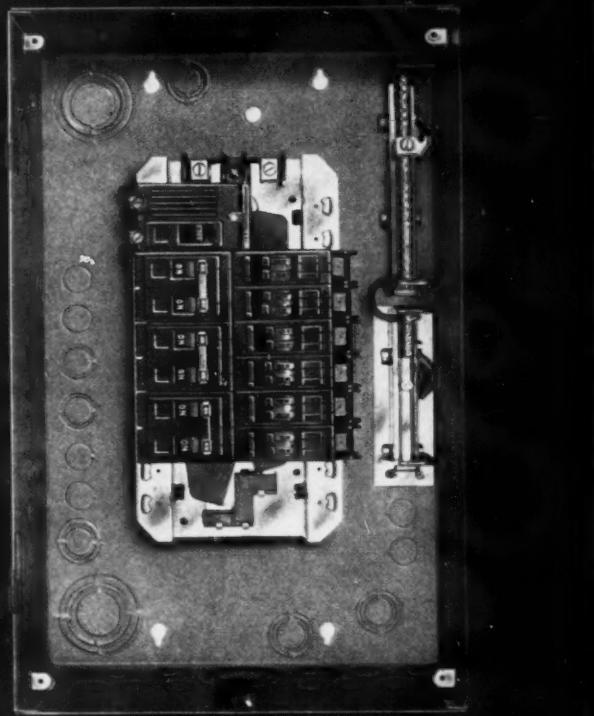
**Complete Line** 100, 125, 150, 200 amperes, 12 to 40 circuits. Main-lugs-only, split bus and main disconnect models cover full range of applications.



# BREAKERS, FUSES...OR BOTH!



**All Fusible** . . . In the same TP1612 panel another choice is one 60-amp, three 30-amp pullers, plus 12 plug fuses. You plug in new G-E fuse blocks just like breakers — this is only one of many combinations possible.



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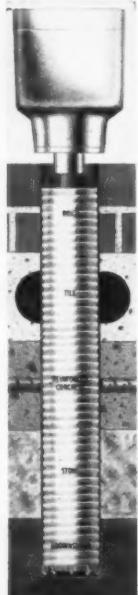
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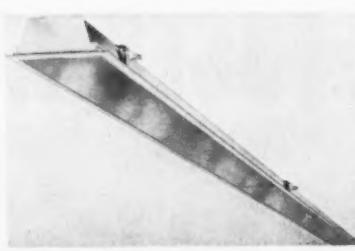
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### Lighting Fixtures (18)

A new shallow recessed troffer series of fixtures have an over-all maximum depth of 5 in. Troffers are supported with a new "retractable-adjustable" side lug hanger. Hanger can be adapted to nearly all known ceiling systems. Door frames butt end to end for continuous row installations. Troffer available in 12 and 24 in. widths for rapid start, slimline or high output lamps. Ballasts can be mounted to troffer body or wireway cover. Available with plastic louvers, Holophane lens, Corning lens, Diatex low bright plastic lens, Pristex low brightness lens, ribbed Albalite glass and dished acrylic plastic diffuser.

*Mitchell Lighting Division,  
Compeco Corp., 1800 N. Spaulding  
Ave., Chicago 47, Ill.*

### Switches (19)

ASCO® mechanically held automatic transfer switches are now manufactured in 1200-, 1600- and 2000-amp sizes. These 2- and 3-pole switches are listed to 600 volts ac, 250 volts dc. Switches are open type, minimum width, vertical tandem types, particularly suitable for control centers. On single phase or dc, 3-wire systems, normal voltage is supervised across the live lines. Bulletin 906-105 is available.

*Automatic Switch Company, Florham Park, N. J.*

### Gear Motor (20)

A complete line of Radicon gear motors, motorized versions of the Radicon worm gear reducers which feature center distances as low as 1 1/2-in., has been introduced. Units incorporate all features of regular Radicon gear reducers. Three series are available: MO, single reduction, fixed base; MHU, helical worm, fixed base; and MA, single reduction, adaptable. Drive motors supplied are standard NEMA flange type, available in a variety of motor enclosures.

*Foote Bros. Gear and Machine Corp., 4545 S. Western Blvd., Chicago 9, Ill.*

### Speed Variator (21)

Utilizing an integral "pancake" style motor, the new motorized speed variator design insures precise speed setting. It provides variable output speeds with 9:1 and 6:1 ranges. The line is available in sizes from 1/2 to 15 hp. Motors are ac radial air gap design and conform to NEMA design "B" specifications. Power is transmitted through input shaft to a beveled drive disc in contact with axle-mounted alloy steel drive balls.

*Cleveland Worm & Gear Div.,  
Eaton Mfg. Co., 300 East 80th St.,  
Cleveland 4, Ohio*

### Tool (22)

Designed for use in wiring any type, any length conduit 1/2 in. through 4 in. I. D., the new Jetmaster combines the separate tools of the Jet line method into one portable unit. New unit does the work of the Jet line gun, cylinder and underground. All necessary fittings, adapters and accessories are included, as well as a 500-ft reel of Poly rope and 25-lb CO<sub>2</sub> tank for power supply.

*Jet Line Products, Inc., 305 Foster Ave., Charlotte 3, N. C.*



### Outlet (23)

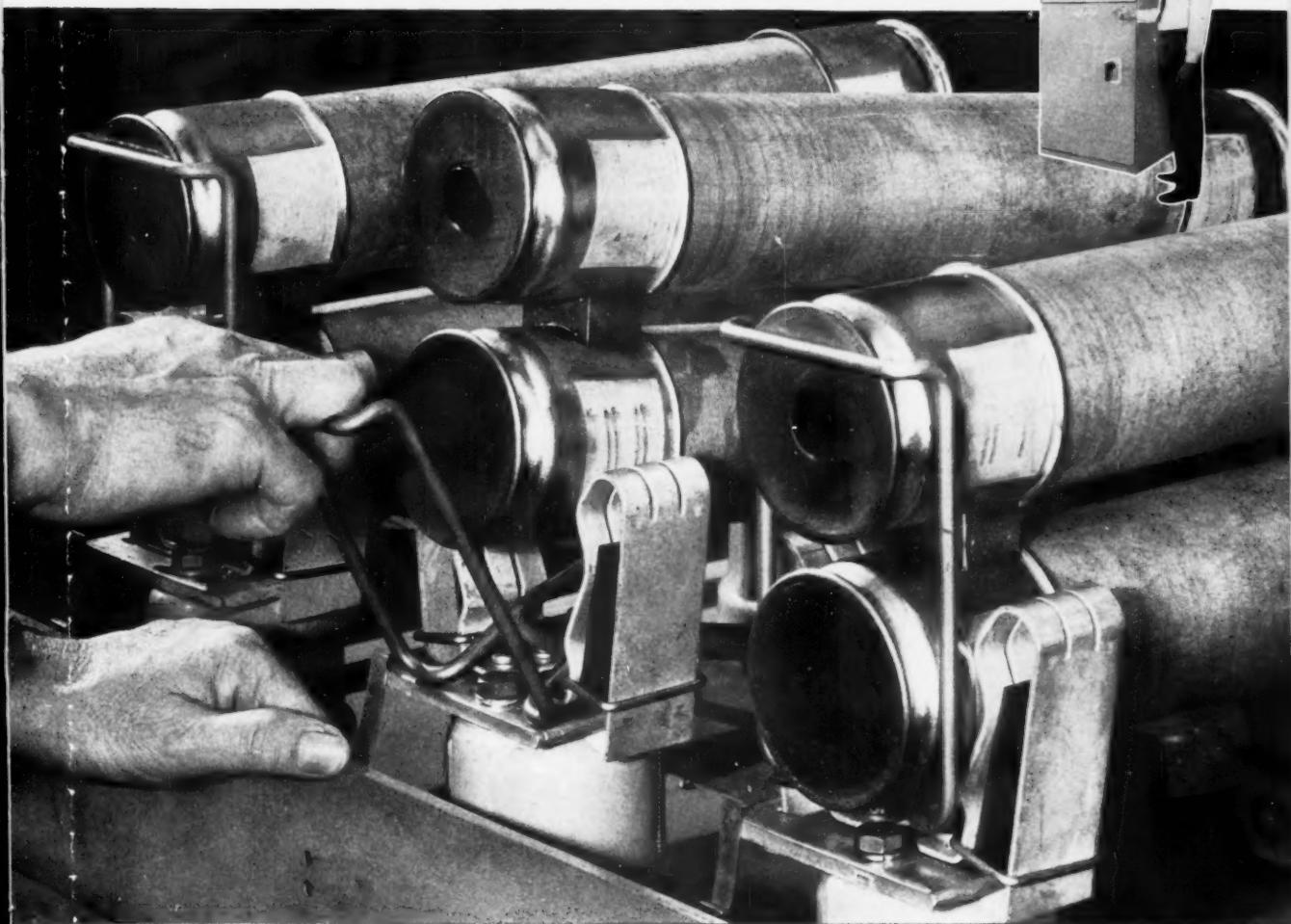
A 3-wire clock hanger outlet meets the new code requirements and is listed by UL. It comes complete with wire leads for installation and is available in six metal finishes. Rated at 15 amps, 125 volts, the outlet utilizes a snap-in 3-wire U-ground receptacle recessed in a large cup opening which holds male plug and surplus wire. Hanger prong is an integral part of plate and, together with recessed cup, allows flush mounting. Catalog sheets are available.

*Bell Electric Co., 5735 S. Claremont Ave., Chicago 36, Ill.*

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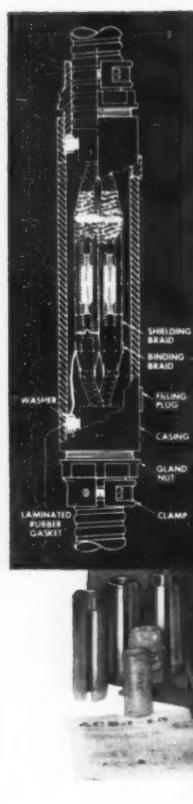
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#### Connectors

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A new line of rotary connectors has been announced. Connector is a non-separable, rotary connector for polyphase applications. It can be used for continuous rotation in either direction up to 1,000 rpm or for oscillatory motion. Present construction is 4-wire, 3-phase having a maximum rating of 10 amps at 250 volts. Continuous supply is maintained by four silver-graphite brushes mating with silver-plated slip rings.

Frankel Engineering Laboratories, Inc., Reading, Pa.

#### Prismatic Lens

(25)

A new light control prismatic lens called Skylens is available. Color corrected lens creates a natural light with an indoor-outdoor environment. Additional features are: UL approved non-combustible material can be used under sprinklers; acoustical absorption in double panel design; made of Life-guard-150 double laminated material; fits all standard 2- by 2-ft modules for both lighting fixtures and ceilings.

Lightonics, Box 7211, Oakland 1, Calif.

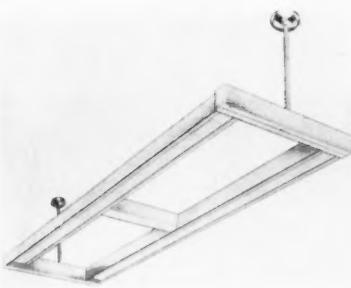


#### Lighting Fixtures

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A line of explosion-proof lighting fixtures for extremely hazardous areas—Class I, Group A (acetylene) and Group B (hydrogen)—has been developed. Series "E" fixtures are available in pendant, ceiling, bracket and concrete types; with openings for  $\frac{1}{2}$  in.,  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. and 1 in. conduit; and with various types of steel porcelain enamel reflectors, accommodating 150- and 200-watt lamp sizes. All cast parts are aluminum.

Killark Electric Manufacturing Co., 3940 Easton Ave., St. Louis 13, Mo.



#### Fluorescent Fixture (27)

Semi-direct HQ fluorescent fixture features 800 ma high output and 1500 ma very high output lamps. Fixtures are supplied with stems and canopies for pendant mounting approximately 18 in. below ceiling. Shielding available in 45° by 45° plastic louvers or diffuse polystyrene panels for offices, engineering drafting rooms, schools, control centers, stores and other commercial lighting applications.

*Sylvania Lighting Fixtures, Wheeling, W. Va.*

#### Enclosures (28)

New NEMA Type 12 terminal enclosures and JIC terminal kits have been added to the Boss line. Enclosures come in six stock sizes, ranging from 16- by 12- by 6-in. to 30- by 24- by 6-in., accommodating from two to five vertical straps and providing up to 180 terminals in the largest box. Interior of enclosure, including brackets and straps, is finished in white baked enamel; exterior is gray prime coat. JIC terminal kits, for assembly in standard Boss JIC boxes, include brackets which screw into panel mounting studs. They are available with or without terminal blocks.

*Huenefeld Co., 2701 Spring Grove Avenue, Cincinnati 25, Ohio*

#### Trolleys (29)

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*Feedrail Corporation, 125 Barclay St., New York 7, N. Y.*

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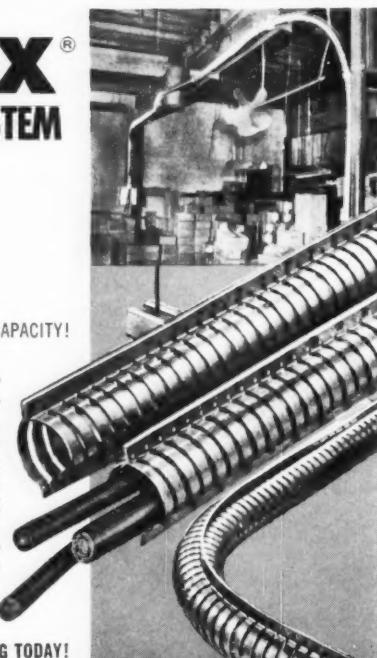
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#### Floodlight

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Guardian Light Co., 500 North Blvd., Oak Park, Ill.

#### Splicing Compound

(31)

A new Neoprene splicing compound, called "Plymprene," is a weather-resistant prime insulation compound. Tape gives protection against oils, alkalies and weather extremes. It is designed for use under any of the standard Slipknot or Plymouth electrical tapes. It has a tensile strength of 300 lbs per sq in. Tape is available in 30-ft by  $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. rolls, packed in individual round tins.

Plymouth Rubber Company, Inc.,  
23 Revere St., Canton, Mass.

#### Actuator

(32)

A new electromechanical Poly-noid linear actuator is designed to meet a wide range of requirements. Six models featuring different stroke lengths and output forces are available for testing, evaluation and prototype use. They operate on standard ac voltage and are furnished for foot mounting.

Skinner Precision Industries,  
Inc., New Britain, Conn.

### Pushbutton Station

(33)

An explosion-proof, NEMA 7, lighted pushbutton station for use in hazardous areas has been developed. Designed for heavy duty Class 1, Group D service, the unit is completely weatherproof and may be used as either a push-to-test pilot light or as a combination pushbutton and pilot light. It is available in Nelson's line of heavy duty explosion-proof pushbutton enclosures, up to seven units, or as many as 49 separate units may be mounted in a single explosion-proof junction box. All standard colors are available in the molded glass lenses. Units are designed for use at 110, 220 or 440 volts.

*Nelson Electric Manufacturing Co., P. O. Box 5385, Tulsa, Okla.*

### Luminaires

(34)

Styled mercury luminaires, rated 400 watts, are available to supplement the units rated 700 or 1000 watts. They are furnished in an aluminum finish or a choice of six pastel decorative colors. They are equipped with scientifically designed glass refractors, one for 400-watt lamps and one for 700- or 1000-watt lamps. They have an internal ballast; mount directly to pole top; light center is 5 ft above pole top.

*Line Material Industries, McGraw-Edison Co., Milwaukee 1, Wis.*



### Tester

(35)

Model 113 power tester is a versatile portable instrument for testing ac voltage and current conditions. A selector switch on front panel selects three voltage ranges and four current ranges. Recorder may be used as a direct reading panel meter or, by twist of a knob, as a recorder. It is equipped with test leads for measuring voltages and/or currents with use of a clamp-on current transformer. Over-all accuracy is 3%.

*Rustrak Instrument Co., Inc., 130 Silver St., Manchester, N. H.*

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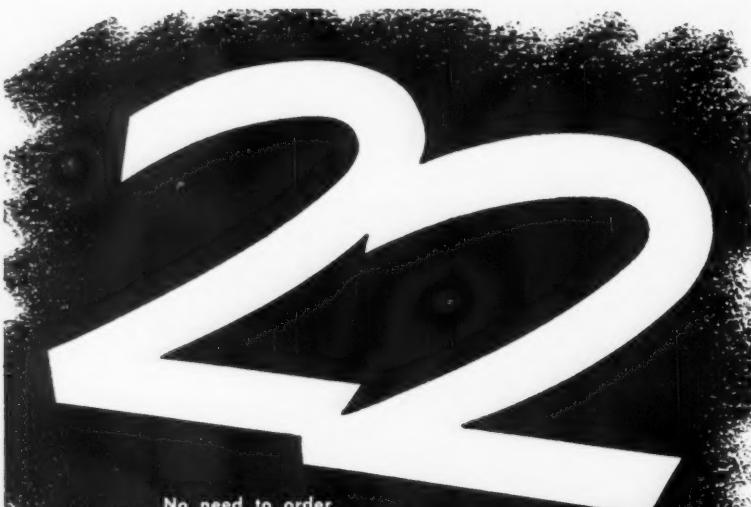
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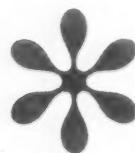


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*Penn Controls, Inc., Goshen, Ind.*

### Light Dimmer

(37)

A new electronic incandescent light dimmer that fits into a standard single wallbox is now available for homes and commercial buildings. The Dreamiliter 600 provides smooth, gradual control of lighting intensity all the way from full dark to full bright on incandescent circuits up to 600 watts. It is the size of an ordinary switch, installs like a standard two-way switch and uses the same two wires, same single wallbox and same standard switch plate. Dimmer can be set at any level of light, for any length of time and can be used to turn lights on and off in a two-way circuit. In three-way circuits it is used in conjunction with the switches.

*Electro-Solid Controls, Inc., 8001 Bloomington Freeway, Minneapolis 20, Minn.*

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*Devcon Corporation, Danvers, Mass.*

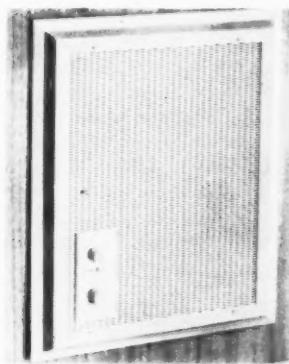


**Stud Gun**

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A new and complete line of cartridge actuated tools, loads and studs is being marketed under the trade name of Stud Gun. Included in the line are: 48 different sizes and types of studs in both  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. dia; 11 American cartridge loads including .22, .25 and .38 caliber. Studs feature AUS-tempering. Studs and loads are interchangeable with other American makes.

*Chicago Expansion Bolt Co., 1338 W. Concord Pl., Chicago 22, Ill.*



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(40)

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*General Electric Co., Electric Comfort Heating Section, Appliance Park, Louisville, Ky.*

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### Floodlights

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*Steber Division, Pyle-National Co., Inc., 2700 Roosevelt Road, Broadview, Ill.*

### Cord Reels

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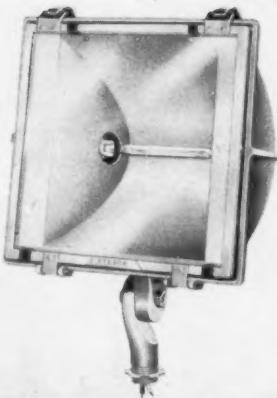
A new series of industrial duty electric cord reels has been introduced. They are made in two sizes: No. 925, equipped with 20 or 25 ft of cord; and No. 945, with 35 or 45 ft of cord. Both reels are constructed of heavy gauge materials. After reel is mounted, lead-in cable may be plugged into nearest convenience outlet, providing out-of-the-way storage for drop cord lighting installations.

*Daniel Woodhead Co., 15 N. Jefferson St., Chicago 6, Ill.*

### Transformer

(43)

This new high capacity "do-it-yourself" transformer, called the Flexiformer packaged transformer primary Type TP1000, is designed to be used as a temporary or permanent source of ac voltage or current transformer. The required number of winding turns are hand-



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*Superior Electric Company, Bristol, Conn.*

### Fluorescent Fixture

(44)

The Duplex-a-lite is a fluorescent lighting fixture of new, twin-lens design. Fixture features twin lamp chambers and optically designed prismatic lenses that direct and distribute most of the light downward. Ceiling and center channel cover are softly illuminated. Unit is available in 4- and 8-ft lengths for Rapid Start and Slimline lamps, with a choice of clear, Acrylic or Polystyrene lenses. It is for use individually or in continuous rows, and is  $13\frac{1}{2}$  in. in width. Each lamp is enclosed by a self hinging plastic lens which is supported by continuous flanges on the channel. Designed primarily for surface mounting, it can also be suspended.

*Miller Company, Meriden, Conn.*



### Fault Finder

(45)

New fault finder locates breaks in electric heating cable embedded in finished dry wall or plastered ceilings. Unit can also be used to spot plastered-over outlets, junction boxes, and wiring within walls. This transistorized, battery operated unit consists of a transmitter signal pack, a receiver pickup pack with telescoping antenna probe, and earphone headset.

*Electric Radiant Heat, Inc., 1517 Wells St., Fort Wayne, Ind.*



**Transformer** (46)

A new line of low-profile, single-phase, surface-mounted residential transformers, Type SMRT. Transformer is available in sizes 25 through 50 kva, 15 kv and below with a 240/120 secondary rating. Its high voltage interrupter switch is capable of interrupting full load current. The 50-kva residential transformer weighs 750 lbs complete. Its one-size 28½ in. high tank and removable cable compartment accommodates all kva and voltage combinations. It occupies 3-ft-sq area. Entire cable compartment can be removed for installation and maintenance. Primary switch and secondary breaker operating handles are located in low voltage side of cable compartment. A grounded steel barrier completely separates the high and low voltage.

*Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Milwaukee 1, Wis.*



**Junction Box** (47)

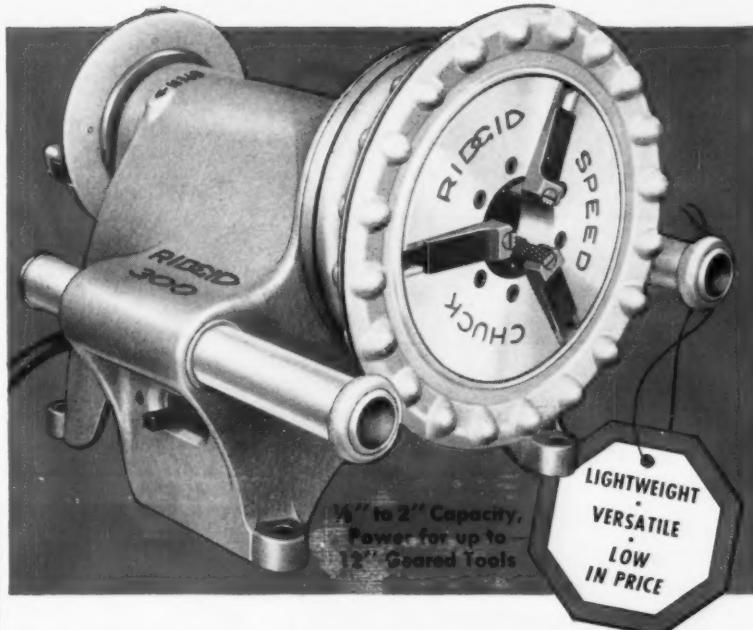
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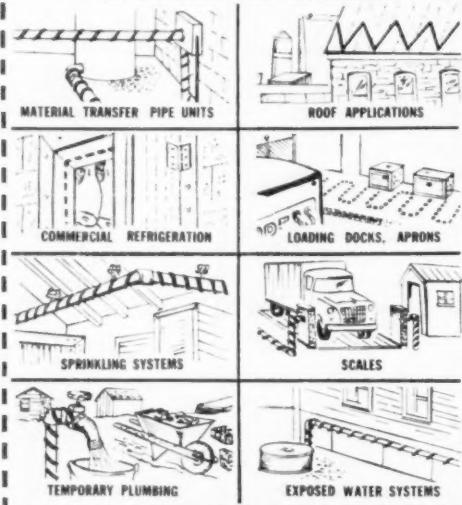
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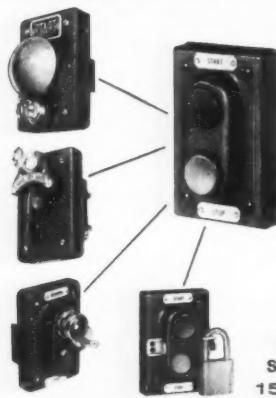
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**Catalogs &  
Bulletins**

(48) PLANT EQUIPMENT Catalog 33, 64 pages, describes complete line of maintenance, safety and production equipment with buying data covering 110 different products. Martindale Electric Co.

(49) LIGHTING. Brochure AIA File 31-F-2 describes the new Lok-Electric extruded aluminum pendant lighting systems making possible luminaire distribution efficiency of 90% using 1500 MA lamps. Lok-Products Co.

(50) POWER FUSES. Bulletin FC4 describes Type HXO power fuse, rated at 200 amps, and has asymmetrical interrupting rating of 20,000, 15,000, 9000, 5000, and 4000 amps at 8.25, 15.5, 25.8, 38 and 48.3 kv, respectively. Line Material Industries, McGraw-Edison Co.

(51) CUSTOM LIGHTING is title of 16-page booklet which presents many examples of custom lighting installations. Frink Corp.

(52) SILICON RECTIFIERS. Bulletin GEA-7066 gives detailed information on the features, operational characteristics and construction of new line of silicon dc power supplies rated .75 to 75 kw. General Electric Co.

(53) LIGHTING. 16-page brochure features new Endura Series of incandescent lighting fixtures, with illustrations, diagrams, descriptions and specifications for each of the series. Litecraft Manufacturing Corp.

(54) MAGNETIC CLUTCH. Bulletin 6005-2, "How a Vickers' Magnetic Clutch Works," contains an explanation of magnetic particle and friction clutches. Vickers, Inc., Electric Products Div.

(55) METALCLAD SWITCHGEAR. 42-page Bulletin GEA-5664F provides features, installation data, dimensions and ratings of switchgear ranging from 2.4 to 13.8 kv and 75 to 1,000 mva. General Electric Co.

(56) TRANSFORMERS. Bulletin 611 describes line of "Quiet Quality" dry-type transformers from  $\frac{1}{4}$  to 10,000 kva. Sorgel Electric Co.

(57) AIR-HANDLING TROFFER. 20-page brochure contains illustrations and technical data on combination air-handling troffers. Sylvania Electric Products Inc.

(58) FLOODLIGHTS. Bulletin 2727 "PAR-beam Floodlights" describes new sealed-beam lamp floodlight series. Crouse-Hinds Co.

(59) DIAL TIMER. Bulletin N-305B describes new Series 305B automatic reset dial timer including data on construction, installation, application, specialized functions, electrical data and basic circuit arrangements. Automatic Timing & Controls, Inc.

(60) ELECTRONIC TIMER for automatic operation of electric circuits is described in Bulletin 120. Farmer Electric Products Co., Inc.

(61) POWER PLUGS. Bulletin F54 describes new Arc-Safe electrical power plugs. Joy Manufacturing Co., Electric Products Div.

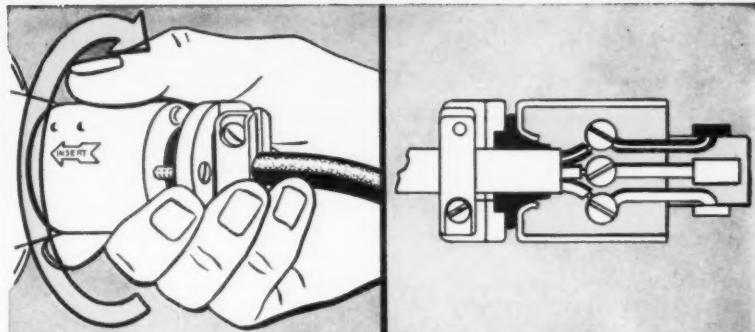
(62) ELECTRIC HEATER. 30-page catalog describes 300 models of built-in and portable electric heaters with dimensions and specifications. Markel Electric Products, Inc.

(63) LIGHTNING ARRESTERS. Bulletin LA2, revised May 1961, covers application features, ordering and dimensional information on three types of lightning arresters. Line Material Industries, McGraw-Edison Co.

(64) BELLS. Bulletin 2.8 "Vibrating Valubel" and Bulletin 2.11 "Single Stroke Valubel" describe savings in current drain and installation costs of new indoor and outdoor single stroke and vibrating bells. Wheelock Signals, Inc.

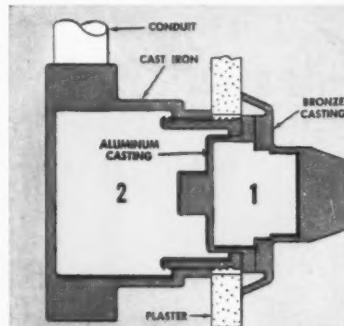
(65) SILICONES. 8-page Bulletin CDS-288 entitled "Silicones for Electrical Insulation" contains 20 photographs and charts providing data and examples of silicones in use in a variety of electrical and electronic applications. General Electric Co., Silicone Products Dept.

(66) SWITCHES. Detailed results of an extensive test series conducted on the Pringle load break switch for service entrance application are presented in 8-page Test Data Bulletin P-112. Pringle Electrical Mfg. Co.

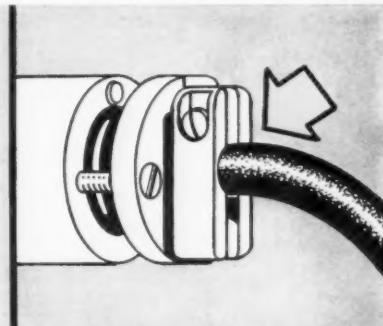


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## Pulling Wires in Conduit

**QUESTION S39**—*In my work I am often confronted with the problem of long underground conduit runs, mostly for 480-volt branch circuits for motors from 3 hp to 200 hp. The runs are sometimes so long or difficult, that intermediate pull boxes must be installed. For this purpose, I would appreciate getting a simple formula or table based on practical experience to determine the maximum length of pull under the following conditions:*

*Conduit run to be rigid steel, one 90° vertical elbow at each end of the conduit run. Radius of elbow is two times the minimum radius specified in NEC Table 346-10; horizontal bends to be long sweeps; cable to be Type RHW or THW.*

*For big cables and critical conditions, I use the lengthy method given in a handbook.—J.A.*

**ANSWER TO S39**—Your question seems to hinge on the maximum length of conduit that can be used underground where two elbows are used and horizontal bends are long sweeps. You indicate the use of Type RHW or THW conductors. As you say, there are lengthy formulas in handbooks that will offer a solution. However, none of these formulas is of much value unless practical aspects are considered. There are many factors involved, such as the fishing and pulling equipment available to the installer, pulling compound, well-supported conduits, the method of serving the conductors to the fish tape or pulling cable, and feeding conductors into the conduit without kinks or crossing. And certainly swabbing conduits prior to installing conductors eases the pulling job.

Much information along this line can be obtained from the several manufacturers of modern fishing and pulling equipment. Manufacturers' pamphlets cite actual field cases where runs up to 600 or 700 ft have been pulled with little difficulty.

On difficult pulls it is a good idea to blow soapstone or similar material into conduits after swabbing the conduit. Following this, use a hand-operated or power winch to

pull in conductors. Such equipment is recommended because a steady continuous pull can be accomplished, which means that it takes less power to keep the conductors moving than to start them again after they have been stopped.

From the foregoing, it can be seen that a table or formula for maximum pulls is not too practical. Equipment and installation know-how count most.—H.W.J.

## Mineral-Insulated Cable

**QUESTION T39**—*I have a question regarding use of mineral-insulated cable, single-conductor type. From calculation or experience, can you tell me if appreciable or harmful induced currents or heat rise in the sheath will result from the use of the larger size cables on alternating currents?—D.L.*

**ANSWER TO T39**—Mineral insulated cable, Type MI, is one of the safest wiring methods. It is approved for almost all locations, dry, wet, exposed, concealed, even in hazardous locations. See NEC Section 330-2. No harmful heat rise in the sheath will occur if the current carrying capacities given in the NEC are observed as the cable manufacturers have carefully considered this problem. Special attention must be given where a single-conductor cable, carrying more than 50 amps, enters a metal enclosure. See NEC Section 300-20.

General Cable Corp., a manufacturer of type MI cable, has among their literature an interesting article describing an installation using three No. 4/0 single-conductor Type MI cables used as a feeder for a 200-hp motor.

If the cable is used for an application requiring special consideration, for example, for ac over 60 cycles, the problem should be referred to the cable manufacturer.—J.A.

**ANSWER TO T39**—Section 330-1 of the NEC recognizes Type MI cable in single- or multi-conductor form. It may be installed in a raceway or duct or may be run as a wiring method in itself. When single-

conductor MI cable is used on 60-cycle ac circuits, induced current will not exist between cable sheaths because the sheath is made of copper, which is a non-magnetic material. The only precaution necessary is where the cables enter an enclosure of magnetic material (such as a steel junction box). In such instances, cut a slot between the knockouts for each connector that supports each single-conductor MI cable, particularly where the load current will exceed 50 amps. This will eliminate the effect of induction at the steel enclosure. Slotting will not be necessary if the boxes to which single-conductor MI cable are connected are constructed of non-magnetic material. Many installations of MI cable have been made, as previously described, without adverse effects.—J.H.W.

## Static Removal

**QUESTION U39**—*Being a maintenance foreman of a large printing plant, I am plagued with static in the letterpress printing, offset printing, folding and ruling machines.*

*If any readers are familiar with the printing equipment or any others have static problems, I would be grateful if someone could suggest or diagram a homemade remedy for removing static.—C.W.P.*

**ANSWER TO U39**—An effective way is to get a 15000-volt transformer. One terminal is attached to an insulated pipe having many points that are placed 1 to 4 in. from the charged moving material. This charged alternating field will discharge positive or negative charged items, and will not rust the machinery like the high humidity system does.—H.S.

**ANSWER TO U39**—The solution to the question is keeping the atmosphere at the letter press at the proper value of humidity. This can be done by installing suitable humidifying equipment over the press or in the near vicinity. Doubtless the press manufacturer can



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recommend equipment available on the market. This situation is similar to the condition in cotton thread producing establishments where steam atomizers are installed and the humidity values are automatically maintained.—C.O.D.

ANSWER TO U39—The problem of static is quite a serious one. There are a number of solutions which have been used rather successfully. Among them I list the use of a brush discharge where a comb of fine pointed wires extend over the material and discharge the material. This seems to work out fairly well.

Another system is to use a bar containing some weak radioactive source such as polonium. These sources are available through any of the nuclear distribution houses. This will also do a good job.

The simplest way however, is to control the humidity in the printing plant. In general, it will be found that with controlled humidity, not only will the problem of static disappear but so will the problem of paper creasing and folding.—H.H.S.

## Stray Ground Currents

QUESTION W39—In our new installation, we have sensitive electronic instruments such as hysteresigraph X-ray diffractometers and others. We are experiencing inconsistent readings with these instruments ever since we moved into our new building. We were told that stray, building ground currents cause this erratic operation. Is this so? If so, what can we do to eliminate this condition?—J.A.M.

ANSWER TO W39—We have several X-Ray diffractometers in service and had experienced a considerable amount of inconsistencies. After a lengthy investigation we concluded that the erratic operation was due to the following:

1. Voltage fluctuations or transients.
2. Building ground currents.
3. Air-borne electromagnetic waves.

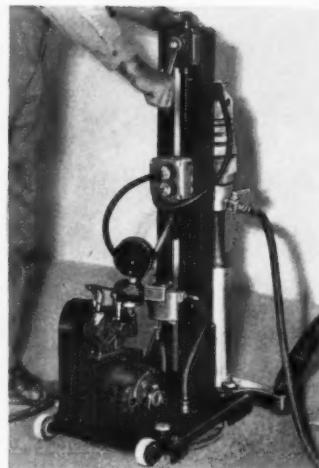
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**ANSWER TO W39**—It is possible that stray ground currents could be the cause of your difficulty. If such is the case, it can be controlled to a very good extent if a solid ground rod is located. What has been done is to provide a grounding bus of heavy copper wire around the room and make sure that all metallic instruments and apparatus are solidly grounded to this bus. The bus itself must be solidly grounded to an external ground.

This will clear up most of the trouble. If there are other stray currents in the structure, these usually will disappear or diminish to a negligible extent when the grounding is proper.—H.H.S.

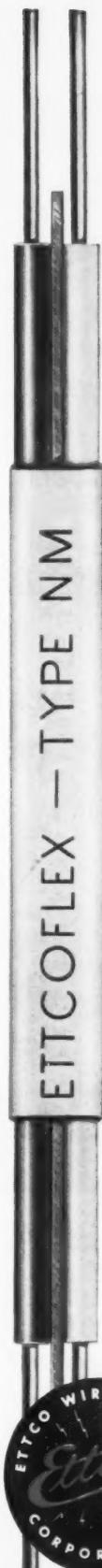
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**QUESTION E40**—Do motor rewind shops consider substituting magnet wire by pairing two smaller sizes for a larger one? Is this a good practice? Also, does two of every third smaller size equal the original; for example, two No. 20 wires equal to one No. 17, or two No. 14 wires equal to one No. 11. Does this hold true in all wire sizes?—E.S.H.

**QUESTION F40**—Copper is forming on the trailing edge of the commutator bar on one of our large dc machines. This eventually builds up in the undercut slots and short circuits the bars. To date we have been unable to correct this condition permanently. Can someone with similar experience suggest the cause and correction?—R.E.B.

**QUESTION G40**—In short-circuit calculations, how does one go about obtaining or calculating the reactance of the utility supply system? What is meant by the term "infinite bus"?—J.A.M.

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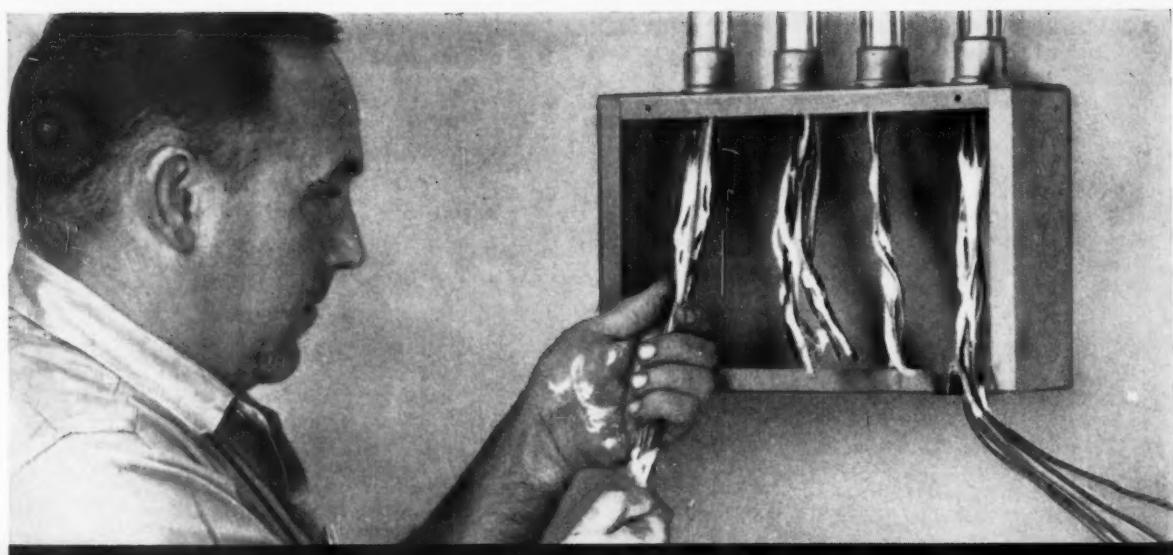
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# Questions on the Code

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## Load Calculations Dwelling Occupancies

**Q.** I am working on some electrical apprentice lesson material and would appreciate your opinion on the interpretation of Paragraph 220-2(a-1) of the National Electrical Code.

Below is an illustration to present a clearer picture of the question.

I have excluded by heavy lines certain areas which I believe need not be included in the watts-per-sq-ft method according to Paragraph 220-2(a-1). In the final analysis, we have a total of 1440 sq ft which results in a calculated wattage of 4320 watts. This seems to satisfy Paragraph 220-2(a-1).

In addition to the above calculated wattage, we have 2250 watts of outdoor floodlighting, porch brackets and garage lighting, plus three convenience outlets in the garage and six weatherproof outlets located at different points around the outside of the house.

Are we to assume that this additional load is covered by Paragraph 220-2(a-1) or is it to be added to the watts-per-sq-ft calculations?

The examples in Chapter 9 do not seem to cover this problem specifically nor does Abbott's Code-book.

Another question that comes to mind is what is meant by "outside dimensions." For instance, in the upper portion of the living room on the sketch, if the inside measurement between the open terrace and the open porch were found to be 15 ft, and further assume that the total wall thickness was 12 in. (each wall), then would 15 ft be the proper dimension to use or would 17 ft be the proper dimension to use?—R.C.M.

**A.** For the convenience of our readers, the provisions of Paragraph 220-2(a-1) of the code are quoted as follows:

"(a) General Lighting Load.

"(1) In Listed Occupancies. In the occupancies listed in Table 220-2(a), a load of not less than

the unit load specified shall be included for each square foot of floor area.

"In determining the load on the 'watts-per-square-foot' basis, the floor area shall be computed from the outside dimensions of the building, apartment or area involved, and the number of floors, not including open porches, garages in connection with dwelling occupancies, nor unfinished spaces and unusable spaces in dwellings unless adaptable for future use."

Your diagram clearly illustrates the provisions of this code rule, and your computations are correct. You have used the outside dimensions of the dwelling in arriving at the total sq ft area. You have deducted the open porch area, and the adjacent garage area is not included in the computations. As a result, the gross wattage required for the "General Lighting" of this dwelling is 4320 watts, and it appears obvious that it does not cover the additional load for outdoor lighting, garage lighting or the six weatherproof outlets located at different points outside the house. In the absence of specific code rules covering the status of such loads, it appears to me that the provisions of Paragraph 220-2(b) applies. This paragraph concerns loads other than that provided for general illumination. If this assumption is correct, the 2250 watts of outdoor floodlighting, the porch brackets and garage lighting must be recognized in the branch-circuit and feeder calculations. I don't believe, however, that any special consideration is necessary for a couple of small porch brackets since many inspectors consider such outlets to come within the scope of Paragraph 220-2(a-1) covering general lighting.

The provisions of Paragraph 210-22(b) requires grounding-type outlets to be installed on open porches, breezeways, garages, and on the exterior surfaces of outside walls. The status of the circuit serving such outlets with respect to branch-circuit loading is not definitely established as in the case of the 20-amp appliance circuits which are rated at 1500 watts per circuit. As a result, it is my opinion that the six weatherproof receptacle



In addition to the above calculations, there are 2250 watts of outdoor bracket lights, floodlights & garage lighting plus 3 convenience outlets in garage & weatherproof outlets on outside of residence.

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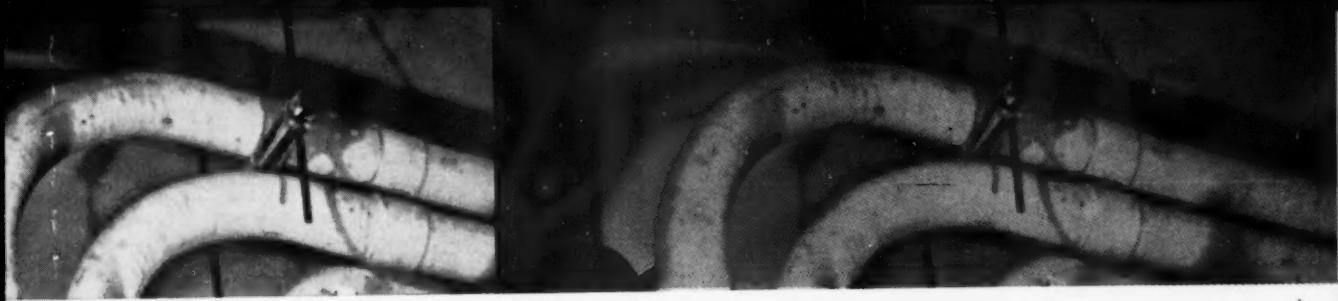
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outlets located on the exterior wall of the dwelling and the three outlets installed in the garage should be rated at 1½ amps each as covered by Paragraph 220-2(b). This appears to be the only code rule which applies. While such receptacle outlets may be used to serve portable appliances such as drills, saws, hedge trimmers, lawn edgers, lawn mowers, etc., they also may be used to supply portable lighting fixtures or Christmas decorations. As a result, circuits serving such outlets could not be classified as appliance circuits, and the code does not recognize them in this classification.

A summary of the foregoing indicates to me that the 2250 watts of floodlighting should be considered as an individual load. The convenience outlets should be considered on the basis of 1.5 amps per outlet. I also believe that such loads, in computing the size of a feeder, should be grouped with the general lighting load and the small appliance load, so that the feeder demand factor of Table 220-4(a) would apply. If the dwelling in question comes within the scope of Section 220-7, the optional method of calculating feeder or service capacity would apply and such loads would be included in the "remainder of other load" and be subject to the 40% demand factor covered by Table 220-7.

The term "outside dimensions" as used in Paragraph 220-2(a-1) appears to be covered by your illustration. While the open porches and terrace are not considered to be a floor area, it appears to me that your method of arriving at the correct floor area satisfies this code rule. The living-room floor area should be computed on the basis of the 17-ft dimension which includes the 1-ft thickness of each wall.

With the advent of outdoor living, many of the normal functions of a dwelling occupancy are transferred to outdoor areas such as the patio and the open porch. Through the use of portable electrical appliances, food is cooked, prepared and served in such areas. Radios and TV sets are used for amusement. Garden spotlighting is increasing in popularity. The use of white, colored or even blacklight continues to provoke the interests of many householders who wish to enjoy and display the beauty of their gardens. Swimming pools have underwater lights and overhead floodlights. Portable tools and other electrical appliances have become

commonplace to dwelling occupancies. How are such loads to be computed? What demand factors should apply? Such are the questions which arise when one endeavors to apply existing code rules. In the absence of more specific rules, opinions will vary and the degree of safeguard intended by the code may lag behind the minimum. To me, the time has arrived when the outdoor loads of a dwelling occupancy should be covered by the code to the extent provided for the interior loads. If we desire the public we serve to enjoy outdoor electrical living, the code should recognize the hazards involved and provide accordingly.—B.A.McD.—8/61/1

## High-Voltage Ballast Conductors

**Q.** The open-circuit voltage of a particular fluorescent ballast exceeds 600 volts—actually 795 volts. What voltage rating is required on conductors used to remotely locate these ballasts?—D.N.

**A.** The conductor insulation shall have a minimum voltage rating of 1000 volts. This is the next standard higher voltage rating above 600 volts as recognized by Paragraph 310-2(h).—B.Z.S.—8/61/2

## Conduit Draining

**Q.** Recently I have had two cases of trouble with water or condensation in runs of conduit. These conduits were exposed to the weather by being laid on top of a flat roof. Such conduit contained conductors for operation of motors on a cooling tower in connection with air conditioning systems.

What precaution can be taken to prevent reoccurrence of water or condensation accumulating in this conduit?—C.R.W.

**A.** Under Article 346, Rigid Metal Conduit, and Article 348, Electrical Metallic Tubing, under Sections 346-4 and 348-4, Wet Locations under Installation, the following will be found:

"Wet Locations. In portions of dairies, laundries, canneries, and other wet locations, and in locations where walls are frequently washed, the entire conduit system, including all boxes and fittings used

therewith, shall be so installed and equipped as to prevent water from entering the conduit and the conduit shall be mounted so that there is at least 4-in. air space between the conduit and the wall or other supporting surface.

"All supports, bolts, straps, screws, etc., shall be of corrosion-resistant materials or protected against corrosion by approved corrosion-resistant materials."

You will note from the above that it is stated the conduit shall be so installed and equipped as to prevent water from entering the conduit. Your attention is called to Section 730-23, Raceways on Exterior Surfaces of Buildings: "Raceways on exterior surfaces of buildings shall be made raintight and suitably drained." Your attention is also called to Section 230-52 under Services, which states: "When rigid metal raceways are installed where exposed to weather the raceways shall be made raintight and arranged to drain."

From the above, the conduit on a roof structure would be elevated to drain with a drain hole provided for any condensation or moisture that may accumulate in such raceway.—R.E.W.—8/61/3

## Rating of High Temperature Wire

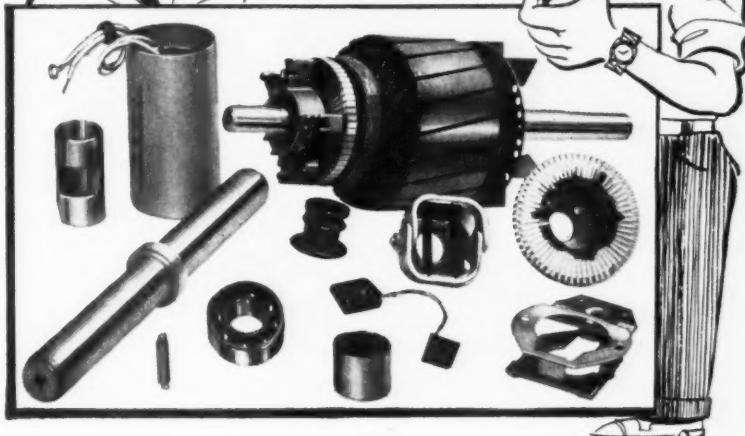
**Q.** Is it permissible for the use in fluorescent fixtures a wire that is stamped "Machine & Tool" with 90°C rating but shows no UL Label?—K.M.

**A.** No. While the conductor insulation may be stamped with a 90°C rating as a machine and tool wire it still may not be suitable for a fixture wire. There are such types of wire available for use as both an appliance wiring material and also as fixture wiring. But great care must be exercised in properly applying the wiring material to the specific wiring problem at hand.

For example, the G.E. Co. has a "Flammenol Machine Tool, Appliance and Fixture Wire" having an SI Number 58170. The G.E. Co., in their catalog, is very meticulous in stating the exact application of this wire and also gives a concise UL listing for many applications.

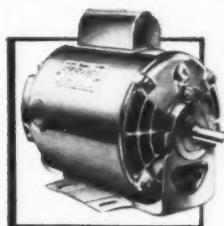
Primarily, the 90°C labeling applies only when the wire is used in appliances where the conductors are not exposed to oil. For fixture wiring it is still rated as a 60°C conductor.—B.Z.S.—8/61/4

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## Derating Factors Raceway Fill

**Q.** I would like to know if Note 8 of Tables 310-12 to 310-15 about more than three conductors in a raceway apply to motor circuits too. I am referring to derating of the conductors. I am about to wire a grain cleaner in a farm elevator. The cleaner is driven by a  $7\frac{1}{2}$ -hp single-phase motor. There will be a small leg by this mill to elevate the clean grain which will be driven by the  $\frac{1}{2}$ -hp motor. I don't believe there is a code violation for running all the conductors in one raceway, but do I have to derate these conductors since they will carry 125% of the full-load current of the motors?

The size of the conductors that would be used if the raceways were single would be No. 6 for the  $7\frac{1}{2}$ -hp motor with No. 14 for the control circuit and either No. 14 or 12 for the  $\frac{1}{2}$ -hp motor. All conductors would be copper, the size of the conduit would be  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in. I would increase the wire sizes to No. 4 for the large motor, No. 14 for the control wires and No. 12 for the  $\frac{1}{2}$ -hp motor and still use the  $1\frac{1}{4}$ -in. conduit. If derating applies in this case how can you derate motor conductors when they are generally fused more than the carrying capacity because of starting current? Would it be better to run two separate conduits? See sketch below.

—R.B.

**A.** For the convenience of our readers, Note 8 concerns the allowable current-carrying capacity of a conductor when more than three are installed in a race-

way or cable. When four to six conductors are installed in a raceway the current-carrying capacities given in Tables 310-12 and 310-14 are reduced to 80%. For seven to 24 conductors, the reduction is 70%, etc. When current flows in a conductor, heat is generated in proportion to the square of the current times the resistance of the conductor. When more than three current-carrying conductors are installed in a raceway, a problem of heat dissipation arises. The more conductors the greater the heat, and excessive heating will damage the conductor insulation. In order to minimize this hazard, the code reduces the maximum current-carrying capacity of each conductor by the percentages covered by Note 8.

The provisions of Section 430-22 require motor branch-circuit conductors to have a carrying capacity of not less than 125% of the motor full-load current rating. An exception is made for motors that are not rated for continuous duty. The provisions of Section 430-22 recognize the motor running overcurrent (overload) protection to be rated as high as 125%. Note the use of the word overload. The occasion for this rule is prompted by the fact that motors are designed to operate at overload for specified periods of time, and they may be subject to small overloads for short periods of time. In order to satisfy such conditions of operation, the code requires the circuit conductors to be rated at 125%, and the overcurrent device protecting the motor to be set as high as 125% of the motor full-load current rating.

In view of the foregoing, we

have two distinct conditions which must be satisfied. One concerns the heating of the conductors in the raceway, and the other concerns the possibility of motor overloading. Both conditions must be satisfied.

It is also significant to note the exception provided in Note 8 which is quoted as follows:

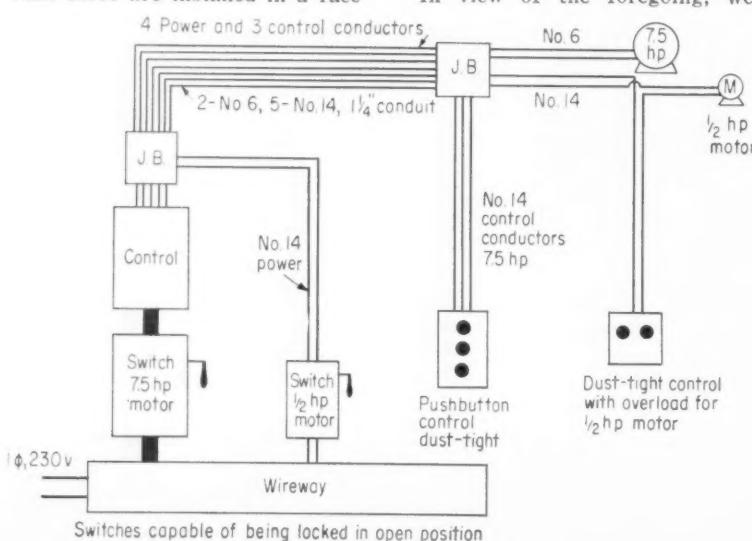
"When conductors of different systems, as provided in Section 300-3, are installed in a common raceway the derating factors shown above apply to the number of power and lighting (Articles 210, 215, 220 and 230) conductors only."

Reference to Section 300-3(d) indicates that motor control conductors are considered to be different systems. As a result, they would not be involved with derating. According to your proposed wiring design, we have two power circuits consisting of four conductors in a common raceway. As a result, their current capacity must be reduced by 80% of the values given in Tables 310-12 for copper conductors.

A  $7\frac{1}{2}$ -hp, 230-volt, single-phase motor has a full-load current rating of 40 amps, as covered by Table 430-148. The size of the branch-circuit conductors serving this motor would be 125% of 40, which is 50 amps. A No. 6, Type R conductor has a current capacity of 55 amps. Subject to 80% derating, its current capacity becomes 44 amps. This capacity does not satisfy code rules. A Type RH No. 6 conductor with a current capacity of 65 amps, subject to derating (52 amps) would satisfy both rules. A No. 4, Type R conductor also would satisfy both rules.

The  $\frac{1}{2}$ -hp, 230-volt, single-phase motor has a full-load current rating of 4.9 amps. And 125% of 4.9 results in 6.1 amps. The current capacity of a No. 14 conductor, subject to 80% derating, is 12 amps. The No. 14 conductor satisfies both code requirements.

If we use one conduit to do the job, we could run the two No. 6 RH conductors, or two No. 4 R conductors, together with the five No. 14 conductors in a  $1\frac{1}{4}$ -in. conduit. If you decide to run separate conduits for each motor you may have two No. 6, Type R and three No. 14 in one conduit. The total area of this wire combination, (0.3457 sq. in.) exceeds the 40% area of a 1-in. conduit, (0.34 sq. in.) by 57 thousands of a square inch. Some inspectors might discount the significance of square inches measured in the thousands and permit the use of 1-in. conduit.



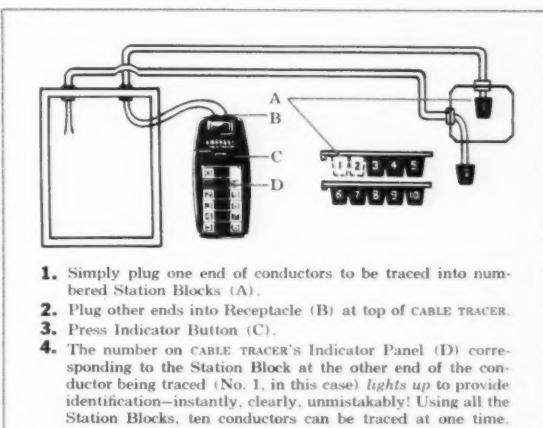
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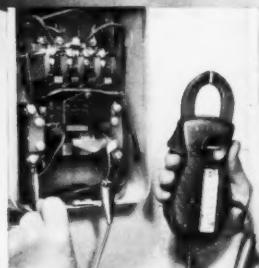
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Others might insist on the use of 1½-in. conduit. There would be no occasion to use No. 4 conductors since the 80% derating factor would not apply.

In addition to the foregoing, a separate ½-in. conduit would be required to serve the ½-hp. motor. From a standpoint of economy, it appears that the use of one 1½-in. conduit is preferred. Other factors might dictate otherwise. The nature of the occupancy which appears to be a Class 2 hazardous area, and the desire to isolate one circuit from another could be considered when deciding the issue.—B.A.McD.—8/61/5

## Conduit Fill

**Q.** I would like your opinion in regard to my calculation for figuring the size of conduit for a motor circuit with the power and control conductors in the same conduit. It is a 7½-hp single-phase motor.

2-No. 6 motor conductors

$$2 \times 0.1238 = 0.2476$$

3-No. 14 control conductors

$$3 \times 0.0327 = 0.0981$$

Total cross-section = 0.3457

40% fill requires 1½-in. conduit.

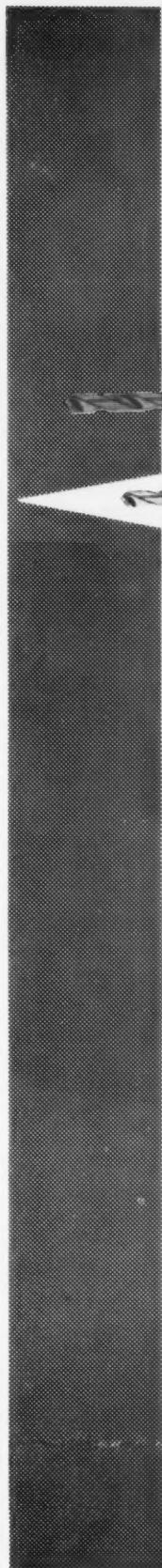
Is this correct as 1-in. conduit at 40% fill is 0.34? Would I be required to use the 1½-in. conduit when it comes that close when I am using Type T conductors and the computation is done with the dimensions of Type R conductors as the code requires for new work?—R.B.

**A.** According to the provisions of Section 346-6(a-2) of the code, the number of conductors permitted in a single conduit shall be as follows:

"(a) New Work-(2). Where conductors are of various sizes to be used in combination, use Tables 3 and 4 of Chapter 9 and the dimensions of rubber-covered conductors from Table 5 of Chapter 9."

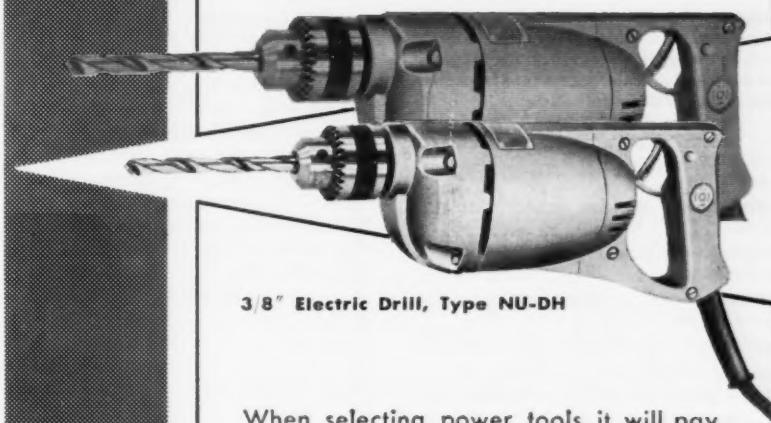
Table 3 tells us that the number of conductors in a conduit or tubing, under the conditions described, should not exceed 40% of the area of the conduit. I say "should" since the note preceding Table No. 3 is phrased in the form of a recommendation.

Table 4 gives us the areas of conduit or tubing for the combinations of wires permitted in Table 3, Chapter 9. The note preceding this table is also phrased in the form of a recommendation.



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It is quoted as follows:

"Tables 4 through 7, Chapter 9. Tables 4 through 7 give the nominal size of conductors and conduit or tubing (recommended) for use in computing size of conduit or tubing for various combinations of conductors. The dimensions represent average conditions only, and while variations will be found in dimensions of conductors and conduits of different manufacture, these variations will not affect the computation."

While the provisions of Section 346-6(a-2) definitely require a conduit fill to comply with Tables 3, 4 and 5, it is confusing when we find Tables 3 and 4 are merely recommendations. As a result, one might contend that there are no specific rules covering the problem presented by you. Insofar as code intent is concerned, I believe that the tables do cover your problem, and the foregoing comment as given with the thought that there is a question which needs code clarification.

On the basis of the Tables, your computations are correct. The total area of the conductors is 0.3457 sq in., and the 40% area of a 1-in. conduit is only 0.34 of a sq in. according to Table No. 4, or according to computation, 40% of 0.86 which is 0.344 sq in. In other words the deficit amounts to 0.3457 minus 0.344 which results in 17-thousandths of a sq in. Is this of significant importance to warrant the use of 1½-in. conduit? To me, the answer is no. It is also significant to note that the combination of conductors in question with Type T insulation could be installed in a ¾-in. conduit. This, of course is not permitted. The use of a 1½-in. conduit, with Type R insulation would result in a 23% fill, and when Type T insulation is used, the fill would be as low as 14%.

The foregoing observations lead one to believe that the use of conduit as a wiring method is severely penalized by the code rule which does not recognize the Type T dimensions of conductors. Subject to conductor derating for room temperature and the number of conductors in a conduit, it appears that the time has arrived when a conduit fill should be based on the actual area of the conductor used. This would assure a more effective use of this wiring method.

A summary of the foregoing indicates to me that the notes preceding Tables 3 and 4 should be revised so that the status of the recommendation is clarified. It also

appears that the note preceding Tables 4 through 7 should include the following advice.

"Decimals smaller than one hundredth of a square inch may be excluded from computations."—B.A. McD.—8/61/6

## Dry-Cleaning Equipment

**Q.** I would like to know if any one has had any self-operated dry-cleaning machines installed in their localities?

**A.** The machines are operated by the customer. They are not attended by anyone on duty. The machines use Perchlorethylene as the solvent. Are these machines listed by UL? Is there any hazard involved?—S.W.T.

**A.** Dry-cleaning equipment is listed by UL in two classifications. These classifications are based on the NFPA standards as set up in Standard No. 32, "Standard for Dry Cleaning Plants." Four classes are shown in the standard, each class being based on the type of solvent used in the system.

Class I systems are the most hazardous utilizing such solvents as ethyl alcohols, gasolines and ether. In general, these types of dry-cleaning plants are prohibited.

Class II systems use solvents similar to kerosene. These require special electrical equipment and wiring. In general, these types of plants are not available as self-operating units.

Class III systems are listed by UL in their Gas and Oil Equipment list. The solvents in this system are less hazardous than those in Class I and Class II.

Class IV systems are listed by UL in their Electrical Appliance and Utilization Equipment list. The solvents are listed as non-inflammable at ordinary temperatures and only slightly inflammable at higher temperatures.

This last Class IV system is the one used and approved for these self-operating dry-cleaning plants and machines. The equipment must be used only with the listed cleaning liquids classed as non-inflammable or as non-inflammable at ordinary temperatures and moderately flammable at higher temperatures and rated with respect to fire hazard at 5 and below. Each machine manufacturer lists the types of cleaning solvents to be used in his machines, and any change would endanger the safe operation of the system.

These systems are not investi-

gated by the UL for operation in hazardous locations. Therefore, they should not be installed in these hazardous locations. The systems require only the standard wiring methods approved by the code in Chapter 3.

It should be noted that most of the machines listed by UL in this Class IV are approved for use with the Dow Co. "Perchloroethylene" solvent.—B.Z.S.—8/61/7

### NEC Official Interpretation

NFPA's National Electrical Code Committee has announced release of an official interpretation of the current NEC. The interpretation, effective June 23, 1961, was developed through normal committee procedure and has been reviewed and released by the Electrical Correlating Committee of the National Fire Protection Association.

Subject matter and text of the interpretation follow:

#### INTERPRETATION NO. 469

**Subject**—Proper installation, in a multi-family type dwelling, of a stationary domestic dishwasher incorporating a motor rated in excess of  $\frac{1}{4}$  horsepower and a heater rated in excess of 300 volt-amperes.

**Statement**—A domestic dishwashing machine which incorporates a motor rated in excess of  $\frac{1}{4}$  horsepower and a heater rated in excess of 300 volt-amperes, is installed as a stationary appliance in a multi-family type dwelling. The branch-circuit switch or circuit breaker is installed on another floor not within sight of the motor controller of the appliance, but is readily accessible to the user.

**Question No. 1**—If the branch-circuit switch or circuit-breaker is considered as providing the disconnect means required in Section 422-16, paragraph b, must it meet the requirements of Section 422-19?

**Answer**—Yes.

**Question No. 2**—Would the branch-circuit switch or circuit breaker be required to comply with the provisions of Section 430-102?

**Answer**—Yes.

**Comment**—If the unit switch provided as a part of the dishwasher were considered as the disconnect means, Section 422-17 (a) would apply.

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## Chicago Promotes Better Office Lighting

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Official announcement of this all-out drive was made at a kick-off luncheon at Chicago's new McCormick Place where some 300 electrical contractors, distributors and lighting manufacturers were given a run-down of the program. The luncheon signaled the opening of the Midwest Electrical Industry and Lighting Exposition sponsored by the Chicago Electric Association and the Electrical Maintenance Engineers.

Luncheon keynote speaker James F. Whitehead, Jr., president of Day-Brite Lighting, Inc., St. Louis, Mo., told the group that good lighting is industry's biggest bargain. Using national average figures to illustrate, he noted that of a \$40 per sq ft per year office cost (including wages, equipment, services, space and lighting) only 25 cents has been allocated to lighting. Add only 50 cents for recommended lighting levels and the relative cost can be



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reduced through greater efficiency and operation, he revealed.

As more is learned about the science of seeing, recommended footcandle levels have been increasing—from 10 in the 30's, 50 in the 50's to IES recommended 100 in the 60's. Projections of 200 to 500 footcandles for office lighting in the next two decades are not as fantastic as they might seem, he intimated.

Mr. Whitehead emphasized the need of salesmanship to promote the techniques and equipment developed by scientists and engineers. Best approach is to find your customer's needs, sell him the benefits of good lighting, keep your discussion simple so the customer can understand it, he noted as he elaborated on each point.

### Chicago Program

Key to the Chicago program, as outlined by J. R. Walter, Westinghouse Electric Corp., and chairman of the promotion committee, is a six-lesson training course (one lesson per week) directed primarily to electrical contractors but open also to utility, distributor and lighting manufacturer personnel. Subjects covered include: Light and Lighting Terms; Developments in Light Sources and Auxiliary Equipment; Office Lighting; Illumination Design Methods; Office Lighting Applications; and Effective Sales Presentation.

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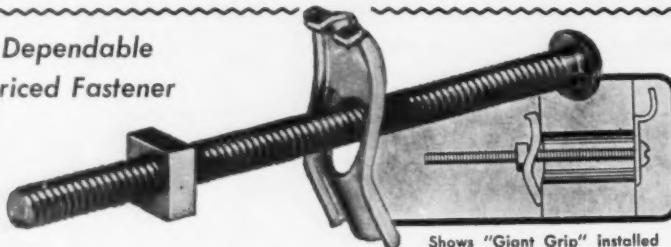
In addition to commercial lighting equipment displays at the Exposition, a Chicago Lighting Institute-Electric Association booth highlighted the advantages of good office lighting.

While the initial promotional effort is directed to better office lighting, other promotions are scheduled. Tentative plans call for similar programs to cover plant lighting, street and highway lighting and sports lighting.

The following Chicago electrical groups are cooperating in this initial all-out drive to modernize office lighting: lighting manufacturers, Midwest Electrical Distributors Association, Electrical Contractors Association of City of Chicago, Cook County Electrical Contractors Association, Chicago Lighting Institute, Electric Association of Chicago, Commonwealth Edison Co., and Public Service Co.

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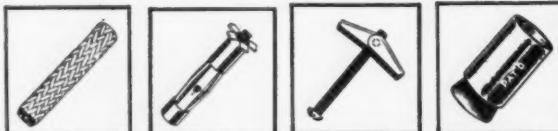
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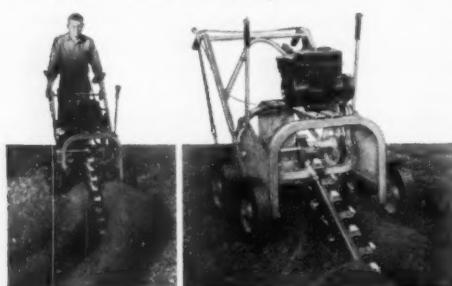
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The New York State Association of Electrical Contractors and Dealers held their 62d annual convention at Whiteface Inn, Lake Placid, N. Y., July 2 to 8. Approximately 300 members and guests attended.

The theme of the convention was "The Electrical Industry—Key to Prosperity." Chairmen for the various sessions were A. L. Bush, president, Belmont Electric Company, New York, and chairman emeritus of the Board of Directors of the Association; H. A. Olson, vice president, General Electric Co., New York; and E. A. Brand, sales manager, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., Buffalo.

M. J. Sherwood, director of Marketing Services, NECA, Washington, spoke on the NECA Sales Power Program. He said that the electrical contractor is the only representative of the industry who can offer the customer the ability to furnish, install and maintain the electrical facilities and equipment the user requires for his living or his business. He pointed out the need for contractors to get out and sell in order to make a better profit and remain in business.

A progress report on the activities of the New York Board of Fire Underwriters for the past eleven years since it took over the inspection responsibilities throughout the State for the fire insurance rating organization was given by E. C. Niver, executive vice president. He told of the growth of his organization's coverage throughout the State in cooperation with local governmental bodies, to extend protection to the customer and establish a minimum standard of electrical



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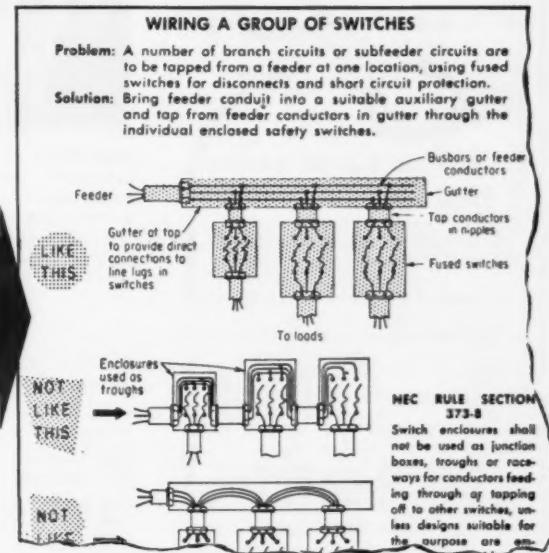
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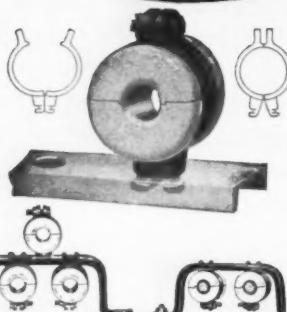
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"New York State's Tremendous Electric Power Resources—Present and Future" was discussed by W. D. Wilder, system supervisor, Power Control, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., Syracuse. W. G. McKie, general sales manager, Rochester Gas and Electric Corp., presented the story of the total electric home, the way to better living. He stated that the utilities of New York State are spending the greater part of their promotional dollars in the development of the residential market.

R. F. Baldwin, president, Baldwin-Hall Company, Syracuse, told the audience that the expanding use of electrical energy and equipment in the next ten years will bring prosperity. The big question is—who will make a profit? He said that prosperity for the electrical industry can only be realized if the distributor, the contractor and the manufacturer take time to learn and understand each other's problems. If our industry is to expand to take care of the demands that will be made, we must grow and grow in the same proportion.

Our responsibilities as members of the electrical industry were discussed by A. J. Moore, manager, Northeastern Agency and Distributor Region, General Electric Co., New York. The electrical contractor has an unusually large number of basically favorable factors working in his behalf all the time. Among them are a continually expanding market and a progressively increasing share of that market; a persistent trend toward more and more electrification throughout industry; and in the home—automation, modernization and many others.

C. P. Clarke, manager, Headquarters Construction, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pittsburgh, introduced new total electric frontiers, which are expected to become a reality within a decade. Mr. Clarke said "We have no comprehensive approach to the commercial market. It is time we stopped marching down the separate paths of product-oriented promotions; I know that now is the time to think total electric, and to sell total electric to our commercial customers. And I'm including apartments, schools, office and public buildings, along with all commercial buildings. There can be no question that we will benefit substantially in sales and profits for the industry.

"Some headway has already been made in selling commercial builders



**PRESIDENT** of San Francisco Electrical Contractors Assn., Emil J. Weber, compared regional design procedures with W. R. Grasle, Portland, past-president of NECA District 6, between sessions at recent tri-district meeting on the west coast.

specifications for the performance of work to the industry.

J. W. Frommer, president, L. K. Comstock Company, N. Y., and president of the Electrical League of New York, outlined the League activities. They included participation in National Electrical Week, a course in residential lighting in cooperation with the League of Lighting Arts, sponsorship of an Adequate Wiring booth at the Electrical Living Show at the New York City Coliseum, and a lighting course as set up by EEI.

"Relation of Industry Organization to Prosperity" was discussed by H. L. Weisman of New York, counsel to the Association and the New York Electrical Contractors Association. It is through the vehicle of organized associations that industry methods, standards and techniques are scrutinized, discussed and improved for all competitors, even non-members, he said. A trade association should be used to broaden its members' outlook and deepen individual friendships. This in itself tends to improve the standards of conduct and ethics of good business, all of which is related to the main object of business—to make a profit and to enjoy prosperity.

E. V. Gray, manager, Industrial Development, Long Island Lighting Co., Mineola, reported on area and industrial development in New York State. In cooperation with utilities, local governmental bodies, chambers of commerce and the New York State Department of Commerce, new businesses have been attracted to the State and existing industries have been given encour-

and buyers on going total electric. Never in the history of this progressive industry has there ever been such a challenging frontier open to us. But to realize the full opportunities of this frontier, we must completely mobilize our resources, just as was done on the total electric home," Mr. Clarke concluded.

The following officers were re-elected: H. F. Janick, Rochester, president; H. A. Webster, N. Y., first vice president; J. M. Smith, Cohoes, second vice president and secretary; R. J. Knoblock, Syracuse, treasurer; and J. P. O'Brien, financial secretary. E. G. May, Albany, and W. L. Drexler, N. Y., were reelected chairman and vice-chairman of the Board.

## N. Y. World's Fair Will Feature Lighting

Lighting design stands high in the planning program for the New York World's Fair 1964-65 which, in slightly less than three years, will open its gates to an expected 70 million visitors.

Full recognition of the important role that light will play in creating the after-dark mood of the exhibition has already been given by Robert Moses, the Fair's president.

A consultant group, with broad



**BLACKWELL RESEARCH** data pertaining to recent studies of polarized light sources were authoritatively reported at recent IES meeting in Sacramento by Dr. H. R. Blackwell, Director, Institute for Research in Vision at Ohio State University. The Society's Technical Director C. L. Crouch (right) appeared on this same program.

experience in dramatic and spectacular lighting, has been given the responsibility of creating the nighttime atmosphere of the Fair's public areas. The group will also design the many fountains which will be among the outstanding features of the Fair. Also, architects and designers of the exhibit buildings will develop their own exterior lighting—coordinating it with the over-all lighting concept of the public areas.

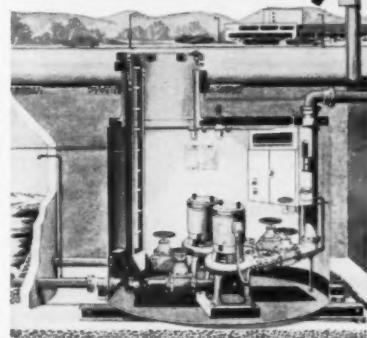
Consultants to the Fair are A. K. Morgan, J. S. Hamel, and Donald Oenslager, working in cooperation with the firms of Clarke and Rapuano, landscape architects and engi-

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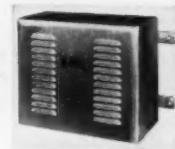
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**CONSTRUCTION PROBLEMS** were analyzed critically at NECA's tri-district western meeting in San Francisco by (left to right, seated): architect Charles R. Kahrs; electrical contractor Al Lera of Lemoge Electric; architect Richard S. Banwell, who also served as moderator, and (rear row, same order): Fred E. Wider, vice president, San Francisco Electrical Contractors Assn.; general contractor Bennett L. Raffin; session chairman Howard E. Bayley, Industrial Elec. Co., Seattle, vice president of NECA District 6; electrical engineer Glenn W. Smith, and electrical-mechanical engineer Thomas R. Simonson.

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**DEMONSTRATION** of insulation was a feature of a shop tour of the Lubbock (Texas) Electric Co., during a recent meeting of EASA's Southwestern Chapter. At left is Southwestern Chapter President George Kinard, Electrical Machinery & Repair Co., Beaumont, Texas, with the demonstrator, Jack Floyd, Butts Electric Supply Co., Oklahoma City, Okla.; and Robert A. Renaud, Metals & Controls Division of Texas Instruments, Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas.

neers, and Hamel and Langer, lighting design consultants.

Mr. Morgan and Mr. Hamel were both associated with the New York World's Fair of 1939, and have been active in lighting design since that time—Mr. Morgan in the field of public parks and recreational areas, and Mr. Hamel as a consulting engineer. Mr. Oenslager is a well known theatrical scenic designer who has been active on the Broadway scene since 1930.

The magnitude of the design problems facing the groups is indicated by the size of the street and landscape lighting load, which is estimated at 7.5 million watts. It is also estimated that the fountains will be pumping more than 100,000 gallons of water per minute, and will use an additional 1.5 million watts for lighting.

## EASA News

A big EASA event, the 4th Annual Chapter Officers' Conference, will be held in St. Louis in September, the exact dates and location to be announced. This meeting is attended by more than 60 presidents and secretaries of most of EASA's 36 chapters in the U. S. and Canada. Moderator will be Ben J. Horton, general manager, The Atkinson Armature Works, Pittsburgh, Kansas, and EASA vice-president.

The Chapter Officers' Conference will be a two-day meeting, largely devoted to discussions of mutual association and industry problems. Also scheduled are talks on chapter

leadership and publicity and on the association's management seminars and electronic motor control courses.

EASA's 1963 Convention will be held in Dallas and the 1964 Convention will be held in New York at the time of the World's Fair.

Miss Marion Wassell, a San Franciscan since her retirement as EASA office manager in 1958, is putting her years of experience at EASA conventions to good use. At the recent EASA San Francisco Convention she returned to "active duty," and since has been working for other convention groups in the California city.

EASA is still primarily a man's world, but an increasing number of women are invading its business meetings. For instance at the recent San Francisco convention, Mrs. F. M. Cannon, owner of Cannon Electric, Brookhaven, Miss., forsook the women's program of tours, luncheons and fashion shows to listen to talks about varnish, winding processes, equipment, management techniques, and the like. Mrs. Cannon's business was founded by her late husband and is currently managed by her son.

Dr. Charles Orr, associate professor of economics at Roosevelt University, Chicago, a former representative of the United Nations International Labor Organization and advisor to India and several Far Eastern countries, discussed the effect of labor on the economy at the June 20 meeting of EASA's Chicago Chapter at Petricca's Restaurant.

A presentation of the testing of



**CUTTING** insulation paper is performed at the W. M. Smith Co., Lubbock, Texas, under the watchful eyes of Robert A. Young, Texas Bearing Co., Dallas, Texas; Carl D. Hogg, Crown Electric, Clovis, N. M.; and A. O. Kleen, Electrical Service Engineering Co., Austin, Texas, all of whom were attending a meeting in Lubbock of the Southwestern Chapter of EASA.



**WHEN MEMBERS** of EASA's Southwestern Chapter stopped at the W. M. Smith Co. shop in Lubbock, Texas, during a recent chapter meeting, they were welcomed by Mrs. Marie Merritt, secretary and bookkeeper of the company. Joining Mrs. Merritt for this picture were, from left: W. S. McCray, Helwig Carbon Brush Co., Houston, Texas; R. E. Clark, Brandon & Clark, Lubbock, Texas; William D. Dineen, Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; and George T. Kinard, Electrical Machinery & Repair Co., Beaumont, Texas, president of Southwestern Chapter.

electronic armatures was given by J. W. Miller, district sales manager, National Electric Coil Co. Reports by chapter members who attended the San Francisco national EASA Convention were also presented. The Chicago group will be the host chapter to the 1962 EASA Convention, to be held at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, June 10-13.

August A. Baechle, newly appointed EASA vice-president, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Greater St. Louis Chapter of EASA on June 6 at Bel-Air Motor Hotel.

Additional electronic motor control courses will be sponsored by EASA early next year, it has been announced by EASA headquarters. Dates will be announced in a few months. Meanwhile, association members have been lauding the courses that were held in Los Angeles, Oklahoma City, Minneapolis, Atlanta, Boston and Philadelphia early this year. More than 200 owners and employees of EASA member firms attended the week-long courses which consisted of intensive training in electronics and control equipment service. Consideration is also being given to an advanced course.

Great Lakes Chapter held its June 26 meeting at Re-Nu Electric Co., Detroit. Hosts were Joseph Biliike, of the Re-Nu firm; Charles Villinger, of Armatures, Inc.; and Jerry Cohen, of J-C Electric Co.

Consolidation of several national

committees of EASA by a special committee has reduced the total number of committees to a more workable group, it has been learned. An announcement of the new committees and their chairmen will be made next month.

## New Books

**Electrical Estimating, Third Edition**, by Ray Ashley; 225 pages; \$12.50. McGraw-Hill Book Co., 330 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y.

Newest revision is designed for the electrical contractor and estimator who wants to increase his business by more efficient management and understanding of his field. Practical methods, tips and guides are included to help streamline estimating procedures. Sample estimates, methods of checking estimates, and the preparation of labor-cost units are detailed; 25 tables of labor-cost units embrace more than 1800 individual items.

**Farm Electric Sales Handbook, Revised Edition**; loose-leaf notebook in binder; \$3.50 to EEI members, \$4.25 to non-members. Edison Electric Institute, 750 Third Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

Valuable to the farm electric salesman, electrical contractor or manufacturer for discussing electrical applications and their costs with farm customers. Partial contents include irrigation, shop, dairy, and brooding equipment. New chapters in this edition include electric motors, electric welding, emergency lighting, and livestock water warming.



**SPEAKERS** at the recently held IES East Central Regional Conference in Philadelphia included: John J. Neidhart, The Miller Co., Meriden, Conn., on "A Logical Approach to the Commercial Lighting Problem"; Robert T. Dorsey, Large Lamp Dept., General Electric Co., Nela Park, Cleveland, on "The Latest in Light Sources and Their Applications"; and George W. Clark, Lighting Fixtures Division, Sylvania Electric Products Inc., Wheeling, W. Va., on "High Intensity Industrial Lighting."

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**National Safety Congress Transactions on Electrical Equipment**, 20 pages, 40 cents. National Safety Council, 425 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill.

Three reprints of papers presented at the 48th National Safety Congress, including "Explosion-Proof Equipment," "Overcoming Explosion Hazards of Metallurgical Gases," and "Data Sheets for Electrical Equipment Safety."

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**IC 3-1961:** Precision Snap-Acting Switches (35¢).

## DATES AHEAD

**International Association of Electrical Inspectors**—Chapter Meetings—Oregon, Baseburg, Ore., August 12; **Northwestern Section**, Owyhee Hotel, Boise, Idaho, September 11-13; **Southwestern Section**, Lafayette Hotel, Long Beach, Calif., September 18-21; **Western Section**, Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, Okla., September 25-27; **Eastern Section**, Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., October 9-11; **Southern Section**, Grove Park Inn, Asheville, N. C., October 16-18.

**National Assn. of Lighting Maintenance Contractors**—National conference, Las Vegas, Nev., August 21-23.

**Western Electronic Show and Convention**—Cow Palace, San Francisco, Calif., August 22-25.

**American Home Lighting Fixture Month**—Sponsored by the American Home Lighting Institute, Chicago, Ill., September 1-30.

**Rocky Mountain Electrical League**—Fall Convention, Jackson Lake Lodge, Moran, Wyoming, September 10-13.

**Industrial Electronics Symposium**—Bradford Hotel, Boston, Mass., September 20-21.

**Illuminating Engineering Society**—National Technical Conference, Chase Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, Mo., September 24-29.

**Industrial Building Exposition & Congress**—New York Coliseum, New York, N. Y., September 25-28.

**Third Virginia Biennial State-Wide Industrial Exposition**—Victory Stadium, Roanoke, Va., September 27-30.

**Florida Association of Electrical Contractors**—Annual conference, Fort Harrison Hotel, Clearwater, Fla., September 29, 30—October 1.

**Lighting Progress Exposition**—Sponsored by the Electric League of Southern California, Hollywood Palladium, Los Angeles, Calif., October 3-5.

**Delaware Valley Electrical Progress Show**—Convention Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., October 3-5.

**International Association of Electrical Leagues**—25th Annual Conference, President Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J., October 4-6.

**Western Building Industries Exposition**—Great Western Exhibit Center, Los Angeles, Calif., October 7-10.

**17th Annual National Electronics Conference**—International Amphitheatre, Chicago, Ill., October 9-11.

**National Electrical Contractors Association**—Annual convention, Washington, D. C., October 9-14.

**National Electrical Manufacturers Assn.**—Annual meeting, Traymore Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J., November 13-17.

**Electrical Engineering Exposition**—Sponsored by AIEE, New York Coliseum, New York, N. Y., January 29-February 2, 1962.

**Sixth National Electrical Industries Show**—New York Coliseum, New York, N. Y., March 11-14.

**Electrical Apparatus Service Association**—Convention, Conrad-Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill., June 3-7.

## ESTIMATING FORUM—XIII

[FROM PAGE 89]

Column "A" represents the upper extreme with reasons for the high values being:

1. The job absorbed too many indifferent mechanics.
2. All trades on the job were "letting down."

Column "C" represents the opposite extreme. The low values were recorded because:

1. Only men really interested in their work were employed.
2. All trades were giving their best and cooperating.
3. There was keen competition among mechanics for jobs.

Column "B" represents a list of suggested standards. It requires mechanics to be dressed and ready for work at 8:00 AM; provides ample time for the listed incidental activities; includes time for coffee-breaks. Contractor studies indicate that the 80 minutes suggested for incidental operations and coffee-breaks is ample.

In the electrical contracting industry there are more opinions than facts regarding manpower productivity. However, it is a combination of opinion and fact that keeps contractors alert and helps them avoid mistakes which impair productivity.

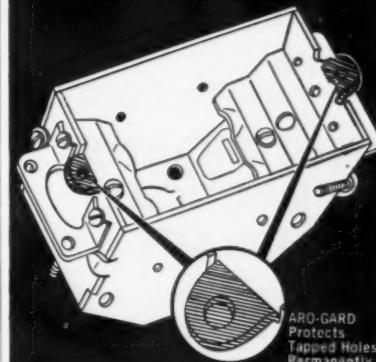


**EMEA CONFERENCE** co-chairman Bob Proctor of Larson-Hogue Electric Co., Los Angeles, (left) checks program notes with the Association's President O. D. Land, industrial engineer, and with banquet speaker George E. Kinney of Hughes Aircraft Co., who discussed "The Changing Face of Maintenance" with delegates to this meeting.

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Reynolds Metals Co., Richmond, Va.—Gilbert R. Shockley, general director, Product Development Div.

Smithcraft Corp., Chelsea, Mass.—Dan E. Dunne, manager of marketing.

Benjamin Div., Thomas Industries Inc., Des Plaines, Ill.—Harry Shubart, director of manufacturing.

Champion Lamp Works, Lynn, Mass.—Willard S. Ferris, general sales manager.

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Sylvania Electric Products Inc., New York, N. Y.—Robert S. Rogers, manager, National Accounts, Large Lamp Products, Lighting Products Div.

Chromalox, Inc., Murfreesboro, Tenn.—Frank B. Knight, vice president; G. Edward Ammerman, general sales manager.

Advance Transformer Co., Chicago, Ill.—Max D. Orr, executive vice president; William Weber, Jr., director of manufacturing.

General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.—Dr. A. Eugene Schubert, general manager, Power Transformer Dept., Pittsfield, Mass.; A. W. Warren, manager of manufacturing administration, Service Shops Dept.

Luminous Ceilings, Inc., Chicago, Ill.—Robert Jones, president of newly formed division—Luminous Ceilings West Inc. located in Los Angeles, Calif.

Sloan Co., Sun Valley, Calif.—Gene H. White, marketing director and sales manager, Color-Lite Div.

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Blackhawk Industrial Products Co., Butler, Wis.—Paul Moore, manager, EnerPac Div.

Joy Manufacturing Co., St. Louis, Mo.—W. Charles Brandenburg, manager of mining sales, Electrical Products Div.

Electric Storage Battery Co.,

Philadelphia, Pa.—W. W. Gould, nickel-iron battery market manager, Exide's Industrial Marketing Div.

General Precision, Inc., Tarrytown, N. Y.—Robert L. Rice, vice president for industrial marketing; also director of industrial marketing for parent corporation, General Precision Equipment Corp.

International Rectifier Corp., El Segundo, Calif.—Paul J. Collestan, vice president of engineering.

Union Metal Manufacturing Co., Canton, Ohio—Calvin Friar, manager of outdoor lighting products.

Porter-Cable Machine Co., Syracuse, N. Y.—Charles R. Stelljes, manager of engineering and research, Portable Tool Div.

Western Insulated Wire Co., Los Angeles, Calif.—Jack Stumph, general sales manager of Bronco products; George Hunsinger, chief engineer.

Stanley Works, New Britain, Conn.—Bennett Lord, manager, industrial hardware, Hardware Div.

Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp., New York, N. Y.—Fred H. Edgar, vice president of aluminum sales, Metals Div.

American Super-Temperature Wires, Inc., Winooski, Vt.—John J. Mancino, vice president and general manager.

Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa.—Dr. Patrick Conley, vice president of industry engineering apparatus, service and newly created industry systems department.

Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—Charles F. O'Riordan, general manager, Defense Products Div.; Charles W. Parker, Jr., general marketing manager, New Products Dept.; R. E. Horn, manager, J. F. Kulas, manager of sales, and A. H. Baguhn, chief engineer, Regulator Dept.; Ted Merkel, application engineer, Pump Dept.

Skil Corp., Chicago, Ill.—L. L. Stuart, service operations manager.

Volkswagen of America, Englewood Cliffs, N. J.—Henry J. Harmon, special truck sales representative.

### Regional Appointments

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**I-T-E Circuit Breaker Co.**: Richard L. Masterson, manager of New Haven district office, Commercial Apparatus Group.

**General Electric Co.**: Dean N. Jenks, manager of the New England sales district, Newton Upper Falls, Mass.

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**H. K. Porter Co., Inc.**: E. J. Campbell, branch manager, Buffalo, N. Y., National Electric Div.

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**Thomas Industries Inc.**: Gilbert W. Allen, district sales engineer at Charlotte, N. C., Lighting Div.

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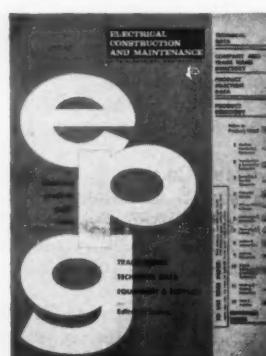
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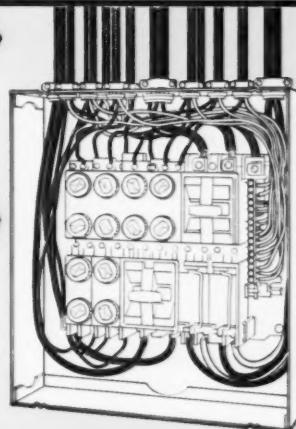
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